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LOCAL NOTES.

The assistant assessors are candidates for renomination.

Ex-alderman Allen's condition is reported more comfortable.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Trefry of North Billerica.

Mr. Currier's system of counting ballots will be used in the recount at Boston.

The Baptist Sunday school of North Billerica will hold its Christmas tree festivities tonight.

In selecting useful Christmas or New Year gifts, visit the Criterion before purchasing.

Mr. Charles Kilpatrick of Union college, Schenectady, N. Y., is visiting Mr. Lewis and family.

Lewis Gumb, the stone mason, has given each of his employes a turkey to assist in making it a merry Christmas for them.

Mr. Oscar Spencer and Miss Lizzie Faulds of North Billerica, will be married at St. Anne's church in this city tomorrow.

Moir Bros. & Co, have marked at closing out prices all their Christmas goods, and those who haven't bought their present can get bargains today.

The post office will be open for general delivery and the sale of stamps from 8.30 to 10 a. m., tomorrow. There will be a morning but no afternoon delivery by the carriers.

Where are you going my pretty maid? Why to Greene's, he sells watches, jewelry, silverware, pianos, organs, and sewing machines at prices that tell. Go to Greene's 68 Merrimack street.

The Lowell Commercial college will reopen for the next term, Dec. 31. Reasonable tuition rates for a practical business education, bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting, etc. Graduates assisted in obtaining positions. Make applications now.

CHRISTMAS.

Presents of money to England, Ireland and Scotland for Christmas at the Money Order Office, 324 Market Street corner of Worthen, payable at any bank in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

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IN LOWELL. NO OLD STOCK,

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Fine and Young

New and Fresh.

That is why we lead over all others. If you buy your Turkeys of us you will get goodones, and a at price that can't be beaten by any dealer in Lowell, Quality and Price considered. Old stand,

7 to 15 Prescott St.

FRENCH CITIZENS

Organize the Franco-American Club Yesterday.

MASS MEETING ATTENDED BY OVER 1000 PERSONS.

Vigorous Addresses Set Forth Objects of Club.

The greatest meeting of French citizens ever held in this city was that at Jackson hall yesterday afternoon. It was convened for the purpose of perfecting the Franco-American club; the French citizens turned out en masse, not less than a thousand being packed into the hall; eloquent speakers delivered addresses, enthusiasm ran high, subscriptions were called for and freely given in large amounts, and altogether the meeting was an unqualified success.

J. L. Chalifoux was made temporary chairman, and Mr. Bourbonniere, secretary. In his opening address Mr. Chalifoux sounded the keynote of the speeches that followed.

It was essentially a non-partisan meeting and when it was over party lines were practically obliterated.

Mr. Chalifoux said that the interest manifested at the municipal election demonstrated the fact that the French citizens are thoroughly aroused from their indifference in politics and hereafter are determined to take active part in elections. The speaker adduced many strong arguments demonstrating the advantages derived from the priceless privilege guaranteed by the American constitution in the electoral ballot, and argued that the French people in this city have not shown a due appreciation of that privilege. The history of Canada shows that our fathers fought and gave their lives to wrest from England a portion of the privileges afforded under this glorious American government free to all native and adopted citizens. France ceded Canada to England causing many of the better class of French to return to France in indignation at the surrender. About 75,000 farmers remained and these were deprived of their political rights, completely subjugated by England and remained in a state of servitude until patriotic men arose in 1837 and 1838 and fought for their rights. No less than eighteen of them were hanged for revolt, and hundreds of others were sent into exile for life. Thus it was that they obtained the privilege which they enjoy in Canada today. If they did so much for this privilege of a free ballot, is it not worth your while to avail yourselves of this privilege freely offered you by this free government.

It is your duty to yourselves and to the country to get naturalized, to acquire that privilege of voting, exercise the franchise for the country's good and you will at the same time benefit yourselves. You come here to be Americans, you are here to stay and you are here if necessary to follow the patriotic example of Lafayette in defending the nation's existence in arms.

You have complained in the past about the Americans and the Irish not treating you fairly; you have no right to complain. The fault is all your own because you have not yourselves taken up the responsibility of citizenship as promptly as you should. Why should you expect any class to take an interest in you, politically, if you are not a component part of the body politic. Become citizens, exercise the suffrage first for the good of the city and the state, next for yourselves, and you will have no cause to complain; you will have your share of the patronage.

The great attendance at this meeting today shows you are thoroughly aroused and that you mean to correct your mistakes in the past.

Speeches were also made by Aime Gauthier, Charles Roy, E. H. Choquette, A. Jean, L. P. Turcotte, Hilaire Dozois, C. Rossin, J. H. Guillet and Councilman-Elect Rivet.

It was stated that in years past the French themselves opposed their representatives when nominated for office forgetting that the elevation of one was the elevation of all. This must now be changed so that it will be all for one and one for all.

Subscriptions were called for and J. L. Chalifoux headed the list with $50 while a long list of contributions of from $10 to $25 was made up. The amount of the smaller contributions reached $200 and the whole will exceed $600. The names of fifty persons eligible for naturalization were taken.

PERSONAL.

Miss Edith Gray of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Nicholas G. Norcross of Huntington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Mulno of Branch street started for Albany, N. Y. Saturday to spend the holidays with Mrs. John Knox.

Miss Grace Hadley, who has been teaching at Bradford academy the past term, is spending the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Hadley of Middlesex street.

Thomas G. Gerrish, Jr., of this city, postal clerk between Boston and Portland, has been notified by the government of an increase of salary from $1100 to $1800 per annum.

Heavy Blow to Clinton.

WATERVILLE, Me., Dec. 24.—The Waterville fire department was summoned to Clinton yesterday afternoon to help extinguish a fire that started from an overturned kerosene stove in a shoe factory. The principal manufactories in town were burned, including the shoe factory built by the Clinton Village Manufacturing association. The loss on this factory was $4700. The loss on the stock and fixtures was $2500. On the sawmill of the croquet factory the loss was $12,500. On the grist mill the loss was $4000. On the clothes dryer manufactory the loss was $300. On a dwelling house the loss was $600. The direction of the wind was the only thing that saved the town. There is no local fire department and the hand engine was frozen up. One hundred hands are thrown out of employment by the fire.

Burned Over Large Area.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 24.—Fire at the village of Watsontown destroyed the opera house, four dwellings, a large livery stable, a general store and many outbuildings. Loss, $50,000.

MILL KINDLING 99c. A LOAD.—We sell Mill Kindling, thoroughly dry, for a dollar a load. We guarantee it to be the biggest load for the price in the city. Drop us a postal and the load is yours for 99c. Ed. Coggor & Co., Wood and Coal Dealers, 155 Church Street.

A NICE OFFICE, suitable for doctor or dentist, to let in THE SUN building. Rent very low.

WANTED FORFEIT MONEY.

Only $80 Coming to City on Account of Delay on the East Merrimack Street Bridge.

The committee on streets met Saturday afternoon to approve bills. Councilman Robinson was absent. The company that built the East Merrimack street bridge sent in a bill of $420 for extra work, and Councilman Noble protested against the payment of it. The committee voted to pay it.

A motion was then made to charge the company $25 a day for 20 days' delay on the bridge work. Councilman Noble offered an amendment that the company be charged for 60 days. The amendment was lost and the original motion passed.

The chairman of the committee and Supt. Crowley were instructed to purchase a horse for Mr. Crowley. The difference between the company's bill and the city's forfeit levied is only $80 in favor of the city.

TOM MORIARTY

Is in Lowell After a Pleasant Sporting Trip in New York State.

Tom Moriarty, the clever lightweight, is at home for Christmas looking in fine trim. While in Lowell he will be pleased to meet his friends, and incidentaly he would like to keep himself in trim by getting on a return match with Flaherty for side money or a good reasonable purse, at 125 pounds.

Moriarty would like to get a "go" at Starlight, or in fact, any good 125 pound man in the country. Moriarty has been meeting good men all the fall and has not met his match yet.

The Spiritualists' Christmas Festival.

The spiritualists held their Christmas festival in Post 185 G. A. R. hall, Saturday evening; Quite a number gathered about the Christmas tree to receive their presents from Santa Claus, who was impersonated by Fred Jordan.

Supper served during the early part of the evening and the entertainment which included the following selections was enjoyed by all; piano solos by Miss Ida Brooks and Miss Ida Perham, vocal solos by John S. Jackson, quartette selections by Messrs. Brown, Fowler, Jackson and Pickup, piano duets by Miss Perham and Brooks, readings by Misses Pansy Sawyer and Maud McRae and quartette selections by Misses Brainard, McDonald, Annis and Pickup.

A Lowell Boy's Record Breaking.

It was claimed by a Boston paper recently that Mayor Bancroft's son of Cambridge had the honor of smashing all records at the Harvard admisson examination. The matter has been looked up and there are two young men ahead of Mr. Bancroft, the highest being Arthur W. Hodgman of this city who made an average of 90 per cent with E. K. Arnold of Cambridge 87 1-2 per cent and Hugh Bancroft, 77 1 0 per cent.

Mr. Hodgman is the son of Mr. Benjamin Hodgman of Methuen street, foreman of the L. O. P. clothing store. The young man is at present taking an advanced course at Cambridge.

Cradle for a Present.

The employes of F. E. Haines, the laundry man on Middlesex street, testified to the good will they bear their employer by presenting him a pair of beaver driving gloves. To Mrs. Haines they gave a cradle for her one year old son. The gifts were a genuine surprise to both Mr. and Mrs. Haines, who were entirely at loss as to the cause of the shut down in their laundry Saturday afternoon when the presentation was made. Of course everything was explained when the presentation address was made.

Foresters Attention!

The members of Court Merrimack, No. 6462, are requested to meet at their hall, Palmer and Middle streets, Tuesday afternoon, December 25th, at 2 o'clock for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late brother, George A. McAloon. The members of the various courts of the A. O. F. of A. are cordially invited to attend.

Per order JAMES F. MISKELLA, C. R.
J. J. GALLAGHER, F. S.

In the Next Generation.

Four years ago last Saturday the board of aldermen petitioned the Supreme court to appoint grade crossing commissioners. In the next generation the abolition of the crossings will be an event looked forward to.

A Class of Nurses.

The first class of trained nurses at St. John's hospital will graduate with appropriate exercises in the Immaculate Conception school hall next Thursday afternoon.

DOLLAR NECKWEAR.

If you can't find a good assortment anywhere but at

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Merrimack Clo' Co.

OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

'Tis because we bought enough to go around. We bought the biggest assortment and best values today.

1-2 DOLLAR NECKWEAR

Our values are immense because we place the 75 cent line on our counters at this price and the line is still complete.

1-4 DOLLAR NECKWEAR

'Twas in dozens we sold these Saturday yet you'd notice no depletion in our stock.

If in Doubt about Umbrellas, Walking Sticks, Mufflers, Jewelry, Gloves

or any of the staple lines which belong to a well appointed stock come to Merrimack Corner.

FURNISHED ROOMS, with or without board, by the day or week, at 129 East Merrimack street.

CHURCH MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS

SPECIAL PROGRAMS IN CATHOLIC AND EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

"Glory to God in the Highest, Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" the Hymn of Tomorrow.

The services in the Catholic and Episcopal churches tomorrow will be of the special elaborate nature. Below will be found the programs in detail:

St. Michael's Church.

10.30 A. M.

Overture. Organ and orchestra.
Asperges ... Webbe
Mass of St. Cecilia ... Gounod
Offertory. Adeste fideles.

VESPERS AT 7 P. M.

Millard's.
Laudate Pueri ... Zingarelli
Hymn, Jesu Redemptoris ... Mozart
Magnificat ... Lambillotte
Alma ... Mozart
O Salutaris.
Tantum Ergo ... Rossini
Hallelujah chorus ... Handel

Soloists—Miss Nellie Gilday, Miss Minnie Courtney, Mrs. Mary Kelly, Mr. John Kennedy, Mr. Andrew Henley; assisted by Cantwell's orchestra; Mr. Henry Gilday, organist; Mr. John Waburton, director; chorus of 25 voices.

Sacred Heart.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS, 10.30 A. M.

Asperges ... Neuland
Mass in F ... A. D. Rosenig
Veni Creator ... Handel
Offertoire ... Pastorale Lambillotte
Adeste Fideles.

VESPER SERVICE, 3 P. M.

Domine Ad ... Millard
Psalms, Dixit ... Millard
Confitebor ... Est
Beatus Vir ... Est
Laudate Pueri ... Zingarelli
Laudate Dominum ... Est
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor ... Est
Magnificat ... Mozart
O Holy Night ... Dressler
Solo and Quartet.
O Salutaris ... L'Abbe De Doss
Soprano solo.
Tantum Ergo ... Goeb
Laudate Dominum ... Est

Solos by members of the choir, assisted by a male quartet and chorus of thirty voices.
Miss Adelaide A. Sullivan, organist and director.

St. Jean Baptiste.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS AT 10.30 A. M.

Overture ... Suppe
Asperges ... Gregorian
Introit, Hodie Christus natus est ... Gregorian
Mass in B flat ... Farmer
Offertoire Pastorea ... Lambillotte
Sortie.

VESPERS, 6.30 P. M.

Psalms ... Gregorian
Magnificat ... Lambillotte
Alma Redemptoris ... Lambillotte
O Salutaris ... Martiasse
Tantum Ergo ... Goeb
Laudate Dominum ... Gregorian

Chorus of 30 voices, assisted by McElroy's Orchestra. Solos by Misses Caisse and Derosiers. A. Alexander, organist; E. J. Pinault, director.

St. Patrick's.

Solemn high mass at 10.30 a. m.
Organ Prelude ... Adeste Fideles
Haydn's Pastoral Mass in B Flat.
Veni Creator ... Gounod
Adeste Fideles, (Offertorium) ... Webbe
Glory to God.
Postlude Organ and Orchestra.

Evening Service at 7 P. M.

Prelude Organ and Orchestra.
Psalms.
Domine Ad ... Millard
Dixit Dominus ... Millard
Confitebor ... Fiske
Beatus Vir ... Fiske
De Profundis ... Schmidt
Memento Domini ... Schmidt
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor ... Mozart
Magnificat ... Klein
Alma Redemptoris ... Mozart
O Salutaris
Tantum Ergo ... Rossini
Te Deum

The choir which consists of a double quartet and chorus will be assisted by the American orchestra at both services
M. J. Johnson, organist.
E. F. Faulkner, director.

St. Joseph's Church.

Overture, by the Olympian Orchestra.
3d Mass of Hayden.
Offertory, Ave Maria ... Gounod
With Violin Obligato.
March, by Orchestra.

3 P. M. VESPERS.

Overture ... Orchestra
Hymn ... Plain Chants
Magnificat ... Mozart
Alma Redemptoris ... Lambillotte
Benediction.
Adeste Fideles ... Novello
Ave Maria ... Gounod
Tantum Ergo ... Verdi
Arranged by A. W. Duval.
March, by Orchestra.
Ed. Vincelette, organist; A. W. Duval, director.

Immaculate Conception.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS AT 10.30 A. M.

Introit, Puer natus est noble ... Gregorian
Gradual, Viderunt Omnes ... Gregorian
Mass, Solne le ... Aldega
Offertory, Noel ... Van Reyschoot
Dato Sonitum Pastores ... Costa

EVENING.

Psalms ... Emerich and Sir John Stevenson
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.
Magnificat ... Raimondi
Anthem. Alma ... Mozart
O, Salutaris ... Rossini
Tantum Ergo ... Verdi
"Glory to God" ... Robinson

Prof. P. P. Haggerty, conductor; Mrs. P. P. Haggerty, organist. A chorus of sixty voices assisted by the American orchestra.

St. Anne's.

The boy choir will sing the following service on Christmas day. Newell N. Mansfield organist and musical director.

Processional ... Smart
Venite ... Felton
Gloria Patri ... Barnby
Te Deum ... C. L. Williams
Benedicite ... Barnby
Introit ... Schubert
Gloria Tibi ... Kendrick
Calm on the Listening Night ... Dykes
Offertory, There Were Shepherds ... Tours
Sanctus ... Stainer
Gloria in Excelsis, Old Chant.
Retrocessional, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing, Mendelssohn

St. John's.

Processional, O come, all ye faithful ... Reading
Venite ... Woodward
Gloria Patri ... Goss
Te Deum, Jubilate Deo ... Baker
Introit Hymn, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing, Mendelssohn
Kyrie ... Baker
Sanctus ... Baker
Hymn, O, Little Town of Bethlehem ... Redner
Offertory, Sing, O Heavens ... Clare
Hymn, Shepherd of Souls ... Dyke
Gloria in Excelsis in F ... Baker
Recessional, Angels from the Realms of Glory, Smart

House of Prayer.

MORNING.

Processional Hymn No. 51.
Kyrie Eleison ... Tours in B flat
Gloria Tibi ... Dykes in F
Anthem. "Behold, I bring you" ... Gounod
Offertory ... Barnby in E flat
Sursum Corda.
Sanctus ... Wesley in F
Benedictus ... Tours in E flat
Agnus Dei ... " "
Hymn No. 53.
Gloria in Excelsis.
Nunc Dimittis.

Mr. Thomas Bateman, organist; Mr. William T. Sutcliffe, precentor; Rev. Wilson Waters, pastor.

At Music Hall.

The new stock company will make its first appearance at this popular house this evening in Mortimer Murdock's famous melodrama entitled "A Hoop of Gold." Mr. J. Francis Kirk and Miss Ethel Tyler are engaged for the leaders, while the old popular favorites, Thomas and Watson, will take care of the comedy. There will be an extra holiday matinee Christmas day and a special dime matinee Wednesday, Thursday Mortimer Murdock's beautiful drama, "A Brave Woman," will be presented. The prices will remain at 10, 20 and 30 cents.

2 O'CLOCK

FUNERAL SERVICES.

GRANT—The funeral of Julia Grant took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, 24 Walker street, and was largely attended. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery, where service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Leonard.

MCCARRON—James McCarron, Jr., a popular ward three resident who died Friday was buried yesterday afternoon from his late home on Gorham street.

At 2 o'clock the Mathew Temperance Institute and Burke Temperance Institute assembled at their respective halls and headed by St. Patrick's Cadet band marched to the residence of the deceased. The casket containing the remains was borne to the hearse and the cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church. Nearly every seat in the large edifice was occupied by friends and relatives of the deceased. The service was conducted by Rev. Fr. McKenna, and at the conclusion the members of the societies marched past the casket and took a last look at the remains of their brother member. The funeral procession was then reformed and proceeded up Gorham street to the Catholic cemetery. Hundreds of people gathered on the sidewalks as the procession moved along and many expressions of sympathy were heard. At the grave in the Catholic cemetery the body was lowered to its last resting place and a final prayer was offered. Several beautiful floral offerings were placed over the grave. The pall bearers were Messrs. Thomas Green, Ralph Cullen, William Ryper, Thomas Keegan, Phillip McNulty and John Thompson. Deceased was a popular member of the Burke Temperance Institute, and always evinced a lively interest in society affairs. Since the death of his father he has conducted a store in Ward Three, and dealt in newspapers, periodicals and varieties. He had numerous friends and succeeded to make acquaintances by his free manners and kind disposition.

OUR WATER SUPPER.

Driven Well Systems to be United in the Near Future.

The new driven wells will be in running order and connected with the others by the first of February. The city engineer's staff is now engaged on a plan to connect the plants and this will be completed in a short time.

The contract calls for 2,000,000 gallons, and the city will pay for all above that amount. The probability is that the new wells will produce about 2,500,000, which added to the product of the other wells means a total of about 5,000,000 gallons.

The average daily consumption of the city is about 7,000,000 gallons and the remaining 2,000,000 gallons can be secured by filtration, which will bring it almost up to the standard of the well water when the two are intermingled.

Death of John Young.

Mr. John Young, the well known and universally well liked and respected citizen of Central street, passed away at 3.30 a. m. today, of heart trouble at his home 95 West street, Centralville. He has been ill for a week, that is to say, he had been out of the store for a week, although his trouble had been developing for some time. His death while not unexpected was not anticipated so suddenly.

Mr. Young was 54 years and nine months of age, a native of Scotland and a resident of Lowell a quarter of a century, of which time 18 years were spent at Brown Bros., on Merrimack street, and the past four years in business for himself on Central street. He is survived by a widow and five children. In Mr. Young's death the community loses a faithful citizen and one who by his happy disposition had won the highest respect of his customers as well as his competitors in business on the street. He was a Mason of a Scottish lodge but had never been demitted to a lodge of this city; also a member of the Caledonian club and a member of the First Presbyterian church.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, probably from the house, although arrangements have not been fully completed. In their sorrow, at this time of the year, when everything seems to be joyous, the sorrow will be keenly felt by Mr. Young's friends and their sympathy will go out to the widow and children in great measure.

Presentation to a Second Hand.

A very pleasant event occurred in No. 1 mill, Lawrence corporation, Saturday, as the operatives were about to leave for the winter. All gathered about Mr. Anthony Hennessey, their popular second hand and in a neat speech, Mr. Al. Thompson presented him with a costly gold watch, chain and a Christmas box and card, the gift of the operatives in that mill. Mr. Hennessey though overcome with surprise, expressed his thanks in brief remarks.

Fancy Work Baskets. Odd Chairs. Willow Rockers. Easels, Fur Rugs.

ROBERTSON & CO.

100 CENTRAL STREET.

101 YEARS OLD TOMORROW.

MRS. BRIDGET FOX WILL HAVE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

Remarkable Event Which She Will Celebrate Tomorrow—A Sketch of the Venerable Lady's Life—She is Hale and Hearty and Has a Large Family to Gather About Her.

Tomorrow, Mrs. Bridget Fox, now a centenarian, will have rounded out 100 years of life and reached her 101st anniversary of her advent on this earth. Christmas day to her is a day of double joy. The great feast which marks the birth of the Saviour, brings its tender memories to her.

Mrs. Fox is a delightfully interesting old lady, and reside in a cottage of her own on Lakeview avenue, opposite Coburn street. In the midst of a busy section of our great city she enjoys her daily existence undisturbed by the surrounding noise and clamor of the street. Her favorite occupation in passing the hours is with the needle and in its use she is very adept both in crocheting and knitting fancy articles of all descriptions. In fact she is attracted to fancy work and visitors to her home marvel at some of the specimens of her handiwork. She is a well preserved old lady, and her appearance belies the years of existence attributed to her.

An inquirer is inclined to doubt the old lady's words when she remarks: "I am one hundred years old and if I live till Christmas day will be one hundred and one." Her daughter-in-law Mrs. Catharine Fox resides in the house with her and is surprised at the old lady's activity.

Mrs. Fox is a very cautious lady for one of her years. The writer well remembers a visit he paid to the home of Mrs. Fox last year, in quest of a brief sketch of her career. His summons was answered the lady herself, who upon learning the reporter's mission appeared somewhat doubtful and then replied, "I guess you had better call when my daughter is at home. She can tell you just as well as I."

Mrs. Fox makes life pleasant for herself and frequently visits her daughter Mrs. Delaney of Broadway, who is the only surviving child of a family of six sons and two daughters.

She can also boast of fifteen grand children and four great grand children.

The old lady often falls into a reminiscent mood and then her talk is very interesting, especially when she relates events and happenings in her native land, three quarters of a century ago.

She was born in Ballaree, County Monaghan, and came to this country in 1846.

Among the grand children are Rev. Fr. Delaney of Portsmouth, N. H., Sister Louise of Waltham and Mrs. John A. O'Hearn of this city.

DEATHS.

JOHNSON—Mary Johnson, aged 60 years, died yesterday at 41 Paige street.

BYRNE—Bridget Byrne, wife of Edward Byrne, died yesterday at her home, 10 Lewis street. Besides her husband she leaves four children.

GARGAN—Mary A. Gargan, widow of John Gargan, died yesterday morning at her home on Kinsman street. She leaves four young children.

FESSENDEN—Sarah E. Fessenden, aged 52 years, died Saturday at her home in Tewksbury. She leaves four children, one of whom is the wife of Overseer Van Deusen of the Hamilton.

MANGAN—Nellie Mangan, aged 11 years, daughter of James and Jennie Mangan, died Saturday at her home on Chapel street. The funeral took place yesterday morning and the interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

REED—Betsey Reed, aged 97 years, died Friday at her home 455 Moody street. She was confined to her home during the past year, but retained full possession of her facilities, ailing only from the infirmities of age. She was a member of the First Congregational church and took an active interest in church affairs. She was possessed of a kind, obliging disposition that endeared her to her acquaintances. As early as 1820 she with her sisters, Sabina, Hannah and Laurinda, kept a boarding house on the Merrimack corporation.

Death of Julius Chambers, Jr.

Julius Chambers, Jr., grandson of Sheriff and Mrs. Cushing, and son of Mr. Chambers, the well known New York journalist, is dead, and the funeral service occurred from the sheriff's home at the jail this afternoon. The remains reached here Saturday evening. Prior to their removal from New York brief services were held by Dr. T. De Witt Talmage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chambers in New York.

To young Chambers the knowledge that he had only a short time to live came suddenly and almost simultaneously with his attainment to the West Point appointment, an honor toward which he had directed all his efforts for the past four years. After preparation at the Mitchell school at Billerica, Mass., he had studied at Clinton Military academy at Fort Plain, N. Y., and in June last, after passing the requisite examinations, had received from Lemuel E. Quigg, New York congressman from the district in which he lived, promise of the coveted position.

Upon his physical examination, which was held only a year ago, the examining physicians rated him almost perfect. In April he contracted the grip, which, before any suspicion of the fact was awakened even in the minds of his physicians, developed into pulmonary trouble.

In the struggle which followed to check the advance of the disease the young man visited different localities and had the most approved forms of treatment. When told that his case was without hope he took the message without flinching. To the last he was cheerful, brave and manly. His greatest desire seemed to be to lessen the grief of those around him.

His friends, and they were many, knew him for a bright, talented, companionable, plucky lad, manly beyond his years. He was an excellent all-round athlete and a musician of no mean merit. He was tall and looked the soldier that he longed to be.

His death came suddenly. The family had made preparations to start south within a few days. Some friends were with him throughout the evening, and he was in better spirits than usual. Late at night he was seized with violent coughing, from the weakening effects of which he had not strength to rally. His death was peaceful and without pain.

McManmon, florist, Prescott & Merr'k sts

Sunday School Christmas Concerts.

There were pleasing and finely arranged Sunday school concerts partaking of a Christmas nature in the Eliot, First Congregational, First Presbyterian, Central Methodist and Worthen street Methodist churches, last evening.

Cornered.

Yes, we have been cornered at the old stand for just 10 years this Xmas, but our present display of holiday goods beats all previous efforts. The U. S. Tea Co., corner Central and Prescott streets.

HUNDRED KILLED

Seafaring Men Perish in a Gale.

MANY TOWNS BADLY DAMAGED BY FLOODS

In Many Parts of Holland and Germany.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Reports received from various parts of Great Britain show that the gale is abating. The storm raged with the greatest fury all day Saturday. Telegraphic communication with Scotland is completely interrupted, while the wires to the midland counties and Ireland are more or less damaged.

There is hardly a town of any size but reports personal casualties and loss of property. Manufacturing towns in the north and west suffered badly. Roofs were torn off and chimney stacks collapsed, crashing through adjoining buildings and killing and injuring a number of working people. In many places the residents were afraid to venture in the streets during the prevalence of the storm.

A number of fishing boats are missing. Three boats were swamped off Stornoway, and their 22 occupants drowned.

Much damage was done to houses in Dublin and the suburbs of that city. People in the Donegal hills are reported to be suffering terribly, their cottages

Being Wrecked and Flooded.

The ships America and Tamare Marshall went ashore near Greenock. The Arklow, for Ship Island, was driven ashore in Scalpsie bay, Bute, and has nine feet of water in her hold. It is expected that she will be a total loss.

All around the coast vessels are reported to be stranded or in the greatest danger. The ship Kirkmichael was wrecked off Holyhead and five of her crew were drowned. The other six men aboard her were rescued with much difficulty.

The four-master County of Kinross, for Hartlepool, was seen off that port lying on her beam ends and apparently sinking. Her crew were gathered in the stern with life bolts on.

The exact number of deaths is unknown, but it is expected that the list will not be much less than 100.

The American ship Kennebec, from Port Blakeley, which had discharged her cargo at Belfast, broke adrift and sunk a tug and damaged another vessel.

The Storm in Holland.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24.—Heavy floods have been caused by the storm in Holland. The rivers Maas and Rotte rose 12 feet, inundating parts of Rotterdam. Boats were used in the streets and in the market places. In several places the water succeeded in breaking through dykes, and the country in the vicinity of the breaks was flooded. Nine houses collapsed. At Utrecht several persons were drowned by the capsizing of a boat. Telegraphs and telephone wires were everywhere broken. The bark Caroline went ashore near Egmond-Aan-Zee. Part of her crew were drowned.

Belgian Villages Flooded.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—The storm has caused much damage throughout Belgium. Many of the Belgian fishing fleet are missing. The town of Dendermonda was inundated by the overflowing of the Dender river. The inhabitants were aroused by the tocsin and escaped, but the property loss is great. The villages of Augdem, Denderville, Mespelacre, Appels and Baesrode were also inundated.

Hamburg's Flood.

HAMBURG, Dec. 24.—The river Elbe has overflowed its banks and inundated the lower portion of the town. The water is so deep in these sections of the city that tramcars are unable to run.

The Armenian Commission.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 24.—The porte has agreed to instruct the foreign delegates who will accompany the Armenian commission that they are empowered to personally examine witnesses. Abdullah Pasha has withdrawn from the presidency of the commission at the last moment, and has been replaced by two officials from the ministry of justice. Abdullah's recall is supposed to be due to representations that he is inferior in rank to Zedki Pasha, who, as responsible for the troops, it is alleged, that committed the atrocities, will have to be examined.

British Scheming.

ACAPULCO, Dec. 24.—The extended stay in this harbor of four British cruisers is a matter of much speculation as to the plans of England. The most generally accepted belief is that these cruisers have designs in connection with the present dispute over the boundary between Mexico and Guatemala. The attitude of the United States in the event of meddling on the part of England is also a matter being discussed.

Churchill Is Worse.

MARSEILLES, Dec. 24.—Lord Randolph Churchill has become worse since his arrival here. Symptoms of locomotor ataxy have appeared. Nevertheless, he was determined to proceed to London, and, accompanied by his wife and physicians, he started for Paris last night.

Czar's Envoy at Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—General Tscherkoff, who was sent as special envoy to announce the accession of Czar Nicholas to Russia's throne, arrived here yesterday. He was received with military honors. Thirty thousand persons heartily cheered the general.

A Monarch's Clemency.

WARSAW, Dec. 24.—The czar has ordered the immediate release of the prisoners connected with the disturbances due to the populace opposing the closing of the church at Kroce, which led excesses on the part of the Cossacks.

The Dread Cholera.

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 24.—Several cases of cholera are reported in Rosario. Great precautions have been taked to prevent the spread of the disease.

Signs of Progress.

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The Corean government has agreed to open to foreign trade two additional ports, Kokego in the province of Chollado and Chiunampo on the Tatung river.

Outlawry Rampant.

OAXACA, Mex., Dec. 24.—There is such a disturbed condition of affairs on the frontier that the farms and ranches are being abandoned and the people are seeking places of safety from the depredation and crimes that are being constantly committed by the bandits and outlaws who follow in the wake of the soldiers.

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THERE WILL be no SUN published tomorrow.

THE SUN wishes its readers and friends near and far a merry, merry Christmas.

NEW MEDICAL REMEDIES.

In the progress of medical science there are new discoveries daily being announced, new remedies prescribed as superior to old after a long series of experiments. There are also new diseases for which new remedies are needed and the constant discovery of ailments formerly unknown, leads the curious or the skeptical to inquire if the doctors of the present day will not be looked upon by posterity as we look upon those of past ages, viz, as a class of men convinced that they had discovered the secrets of Nature and were masters of all the remedies for curing, so far as cure was possible, all the ills to which flesh is err. Be this as it may, it is certain that the physicians are our highest guides in medical science, and whether their remedies kill or cure we are obliged to accept them as the highest aid that human skill can give.

In old times the method of phlebotomy or blood-letting was considered a sure remedy for certain diseases and a preventive of others; but it was abandoned as a useless waste of vitality more likely to injure than to relieve. Until recently there was no such treatment as baths in fever; but now typhoid patients are given cold baths at short intervals to keep down the temperature. It is but a short time since doctors began to ascribe death to appendicitis, and now the removal of the vermiform appendage is of frequent occurrence as a means of saving the lives of patients said to be afflicted with that particular complication.

But the process of inoculation for certain diseases has proved to be the greatest departure in medical practice. Most successfully applied as a preventive of small pox, although even in this its efficiency is questioned by some, its use is gradually extending to other diseases and may in time become a most effective preventive as well as a remedy for other dangerous diseases.

The study of bacteriology has led to many important discoveries in relation to the cause of certain diseases, and indicates in what manner they may be prevented.

It is a revelation to some to know that consumption is communicated to human beings through the milk or flesh of cows afflicted with tuberculosis or from one person to another by the sputa from the lungs. Hereditary tendencies to the disease of course are difficult to overcome, but they offer but a rich field of culture to the bacilli of the disease. So it is in many other diseases.

Diphtheria is a a dread disease, almost as bad as small pox in its fatalities, and this is now being treated by a new method, in which inoculation is the leading feature.

It is reported from the hospitals in which the new treatment has been thoroughly tried, that deaths are now scarcely half as numerous as before the antitoxine method was tried.

It is a common law of medicine that the serum form of blood of an animal which has been rendered immune from a disease is a specific for that disease. This is so in cholera, diphtheria and tetanus. It is also said to be true of typhoid fever. Experiments have not gone far enough to determine whether this principle applies to scarlet fever.

The serum is used in the first place as a means of detecting the disease before its symptoms are outwardly developed. It thus affords a means of securing isolation before the disease spreads and also of applying timely remedies to check it.

The diphtherine or serum is made from an artificial culture or development of the diphtheria bacillus taken from the throat of a patient. This is injected into the goat or horse, both of which enjoy natural immunity from diphtheria and tuberculosis. Inoculating this animal a number of times with this culture creates an artificial immunity against diphtheria. After this is established the animal is bled and an extract of the blood is made which is found to have curative virtues for diphtheria in human beings. The portion of the blood used is the serum and the hypodermic injection of the fraction of a centimetre of this serum or diphtherine has the result, as has been shown conclusively in Paris and Berlin hospitals, of reducing the mortality in diphtheria cases by about fifty per cent. Diphtherine is also used as a preventive. For instance if a case occurs in a house all the members of the family are inoculated and the spread of the disease is stopped.

This new method of treatment was discovered by Dr. Behring of the Institute for Contagious and Infectious diseases in Berlin about three years ago and it has been used in Paris and Berlin for about two years with gratifying results.

The board of health has issued a circular to the doctors of the city offering the serum and swabs for detecting the disease. The diphtherine will probably be obtained from New York where it is being produced at considerable expense from the most healthy animals. It will be interesting to see the result of the new treatment in this city as it will be used on the first case of diphtheria that makes its appearance.

CARLISLE'S CURRENCY bill appears to be doomed to defeat the solution of the currency question is wholly a matter of business and should not be made a partisan issue. Whatever measure in the judgment of both parties is best calculated to settle the ever recurring troubles of the currency, should be passed at once. The currency should be sufficiently elastic to meet all the needs of the country and at the same time so stable that it will not jeopardize the credit of the government by depreciation. The democratic party is pledged to currency reform and should provide a basis for a paper currency outside the treasury issue. A new banking law is needed and if the democratic party lets pass the present opportunity of settling the question aright it will have added one other to its long list of egregious blunders.

IN PURCHASING Christmas presents don't forget the poor whom we have always with us. Make it a merry Christmas in every home however humble.

TIME WAS in New England when Christmas day was not observed by suspension of labor and religious services. Now the observance is general.

Christmas Again.

THROW away cares, and all live in the present:
Youngsters are CHIRPING with laughter and noise;
Christmas indoors is remarkably pleasant—
Dancers and games for the girls and the boys.
Outside the shadows are colder—'tis snowing.
Soft flakes whirl downward and drift on the pane.
Round the warm hearth, where the fire is glowing,
Old folks draw closer at Christmas again!

The head of the house, in the glow of the embers,
Stands straight as an arrow, smiling, but grand.
There is his wife, and some fifty Decembers
Leave her as lightly as waves on the sand.
She is to him still as fair as he thought her
When in her teens his allegiance he swore.
Many a son, now, and blossom checked daughter
Gather about them for Christmas once more!

Then there are neighbors and cousins and lovers;
Bertie, from college, and stroke of his crew;
Sportsmen who come with an eye on the covers;
Maidens of beauty whose charms are not few.
Dainty Danas of favors quite chary;
Reginald, fresh from the ranch on the plain;
Learned girl graduates, Sallie and Mary.
Meeting and greeting at Christmas again.

Still, to my fancy, the fairest of faces
Yonder is shining in silvery curls,
Framed in soft wrappers and delicate laces,
Grandmother sits in a cluster of girls,
Watching the dancers with eyes growing tender,
Clearer and dearer for long ago pain;
Holding the loving hands near to defend her,
Safe with her children at Christmas again.

I can remember when beaux by the dozen
Toasted her beauty in wit and in wine;
I, too, adored her—though I was a cousin—
Many a sword tried its mettle with mine.
Ah, gallant company, vanished to shades!
Swept with the years till we only remain.
She is for me still the sweetest of belles—
I, her old suitor, at Christmas again!

Madam, your hand! Though the dancers be plenty,
Let us, too, stand—not in waltz or in reel.
This was "the mode," eighteen hundred and twenty,
When it was voted as "mightly genteel."
Ah, that was dancing. Then "steps" were "de rigueur"
(Not a wild scramble, absurd and insane).
You will remember that elegant figure—
Let us walk through it at Christmas again!

Yes, that is well! Strike a stateller measure,
Fitting the snows and the honor of years.
Say, does it bring to you visions of pleasure,
Or has the music a tremor of tears?
Here let us stay. Why this laughter, young misses?
"Under the mistletoe!" Zounds! then, 'tis plain.
Grandmother, blushing, must bring out those kisses
She has been keeping for Christmas again!

—Latince Lee.

Best He Could Do.

The robber presented his glittering pistol.

"Have you a vacancy in your bookkeeping staff?" he demanded.

The president of the bank shook his head.

"Well"—

The outlaw sighed. He was palpably chagrined.

—"I'll have to be contented, then, with what cash you have on hand."

Stealing $17,413.18, he left the place.—Detroit Tribune.

Why They Went Off.

"Are you loaded?" asked the pistol of the shotgun.

"No," said the latter; "I'm shot."

Then both exploded with laughter.—Philadelphia Call.

IT'S EASY TO GET IN, where there's a sluggish liver, for any of the germs of disease that surround you. If your liver were active and healthy, it would keep them out of your blood. You'll have to watch your liver for self-protection.

Just as soon as you see the first symptoms that it's wrong, (eruptions on the skin, or a dull and worn-out feeling) you ought to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. That will start your liver into a healthy, natural action, purify your blood, too; it will brace up your whole system, and give you strength and color, and put on needed flesh—not *fat*, but wholesome, necessary flesh.

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DR. R. V. PIERCE: *Dear Sir*—I heartily recommend your "Discovery" to any person suffering from *general debility* as the best thing they can take for it. After taking the "Discovery" I am happy to say I never felt better in my life than I do now.

E. J. Whilcher.

HOW DISEASE IS SPREAD.

INSECTS PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART ACCORDING TO SCIENCE.

Story of an Interesting Crusade Against Bed Bugs Which are Called the Lodging Housekeeper's Friends—Good Health News of all Kinds.

Modern Medicine says that French sanitarians are just now considerably agitated over the question of bedbugs. Dr. Felix Bremond argued before the commission of hygiene that the bedbug is a nuisance and a cause of disease and so thoroughly convinced the commission of the correctness of his ideas that the extermination of the bedbug in infested lodging houses was ordered forthwith. But the lodging house keepers had become so much attached to the society of this cheerful pet that they entered a vigorous protest and contested the decision in the courts, with the result that the state council reversed the decision of the commission of hygiene, and thus the bugs were delivered from the imminent peril which threatened them, and the tenants of cheap lodging houses in Paris still furnish food for these hungry phlebotomists.

Drs. Bremond and De Wevere have made a careful study of the relation of bedbugs to health and have shown that this loathsome insect is a menace to health not only by reason of the loss of sleep and of blood directly attributable to its ravages, but also through its becoming the means of transmitting the microbes of tuberculosis. One case is cited in which such a communication of disease took place. A young man died of tuberculosis. Shortly afterward his brother, who occupied his bed, became infected with general tuberculosis. The physician in attendance noticed the marks of bites, examined the bugs and found that a large portion of them carried tubercular bacilli in their alimentary canals. It has long been known that flies may communicate cholera and other infections, as erysipelas and possibly yellow fever. Mosquitoes convey certain animal parasites, possibly also the parasites of malaria. It is possible that many insects may be engaged in this mischievous activity.

Cleaning the Sickroom.

A sickroom that needs cleaning may be made fresh and sweet without sweeping and without dust by wiping everything, carpet included, with a cloth wrung out of warm water in which there are a few drops of ammonia. There should be no rugs and draperies, but if there are put them on a line outdoors to air and wipe in the same way. Never dust with feather duster, which only changes the locality of the dust. There may be germs of disease even in innocent looking dust. A screen may be placed in front of the bed if the patient is nervous. Physicians say that using a kerosene lamp, with the wick turned low, causing an ill smelling gas, is sometimes the cause of diphtheria.

Relief For Tired Feet.

If people who are troubled with tired feet could know the relief that comes from the use of cushions placed in front of the table where they stand when dishes are washed or vegetables prepared, they would provide themselves with one or more of these pads at once. They may be made with several thicknesses of old cloth, bagging, carpet lining or horse blanket stitched together and covered with old carpet or crugget, the edges turned in and overhanded and the whole then tacked like a comfortable.

The Dandy Tweezers.

A pair of small steel tweezers, very inexpensive, should be in a generally known place in every house, particularly where there are children. It always makes the dreaded splinter or briar in the bare foot much more easily managed and often saves a doctor and much misery, as in case of a needle.

CONCERNING CORRESPONDENCE.

Novelties In Stationery—Fads and Fancies More or Less In Vogue.

Certain fixed rules have prevailed and are likely to prevail as regards letter writing, but no law has been laid down, even by Dame Fashion, as to what size or shape of paper and envelopes, what thickness or what color is correct. Unruled paper is of course the only thing possible. To write with lines implies, to put it very mildly, a neglected education. The note or letter stamped with the hall mark of good breeding is generally on a medium sized cream tinted sheet absolutely without any fragrance save a very faint one of orris root.

Bright blue paper or bright purple has lately been shown at the stationers' shops, paper that will fold not into square but into oblong envelopes. It is a fancy that will not last. Crests, monograms and coats of arms are all more or less affected, but the favorite ornamentation on any paper is the address stamped at the top of the first sheet in clear, distinct letters, not script. On the envelopes there is never anything put. There was an attempt to have the address also on the back of the envelope, but tradespeople adopted the plan at once, and it was then tabooed as being too professional.

All sizes of paper ought to be kept on hand on a well appointed writing table. Letter paper of good size, note paper, medium and very small, and even a few of the cards which fit into square envelopes should be within easy reach, and there should also be some thin large paper or pads for common use. Paper is much cheaper than it used to be, so there is very little excuse for untidy letters written on half sheets and folded into envelopes that do not at all correspond in color or shape.

Writing pads are capital things to use. The finest qualities of linen paper come in these pads of the right size to go into the small square envelopes, and when there are a great many letters to be written it is much easier to write them on a pad than to sit down at a writing table to do it.

It is always rather smart looking to seal a note or letter with sealing wax. Red, black and pale blue are the best to use.

Postal cards are not in favor for correspondence. They are used only in giving orders or for business purposes.

Writing with quill pens is not so much of a fad as at one time it threatened to be, but clear, legible handwriting should be cultivated. Colored inks are not used. Jet black is decidedly the thing, according to Harper's Bazar, which is authority for the foregoing.

His Reason.

Little Willie—I was going fishing Sunday, but my papa wouldn't let me.

Rev. Dr. Saintly—That's the right kind of a papa to have. Did he tell you the reason why?

Willie—Yessir. He said there wasn't bait enough for two.—Life.

Why Shouldn't She?

He—She has very handsome teeth.

She—Why shouldn't she when her brother's a dentist?—Rogerville (Tenn.) Review.

Modified.

Mabel—Did you notice what a stone cold stare Mr. Dibbles gave us?

Ethel—Yes, but he just came from the club. He's naturally a little rocky, you know.—New York World.

SUNBEAMS.

Love Is a Pain.

"Do you think your sister will be down soon, Willie?"

"Yes; she said she was coming down as soon as she could, so as to have it over with."—Life.

He Caved.

A man knocked at the door of a house in Paulina street. When a woman came to the door, he smiled pleasantly and said:

"Madam, pardon me for intruding upon you. I wish to make an appeal to you. I am a victim of the forest fires."

"What forest fires?"

"I lived at Hinckley, and my little home was destroyed."

"Oh, yes. I know you now. Didn't I used to see you in Hinckley?"

"Why—ah—certainly you did."

"I've seen you many a time. What's your name?"

"Flanders."

"Flanders, that's it. I knew you. Did you lose your wife in the fire?"

"In the fire—you mean the forest fire? Yes, ma'am, that's when I lost her."

"I knew your wife very well."

"Yes, ma'am—is that so? You lived there, did you? Well!" He backed away from her and began to tremble. She fastened a cold, steady gaze on him.

"What became of the children?" she asked.

"I'll be going, ma'am," he said, and with that he bolted for the front gate.

"That's funny," said she as she watched him retreat down the street. "The minute you begin to back up a story for one of these fellows he gets scared and runs away."—Chicago Record.

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SOMETHING NOTICED IN PASSING.

Several Things Which Caught the "Kicker's" Eye.

A Trip for Union Men—Plutocracy's Howl Over the Strike Commissions's Report—Three Problems Discussed—Monopolis, Immigration and Illiteracy.

A recent special to the New York World from Spokane, Wash., read:

All the union men in the mines controlled by the Bunker Hill and Sullivan company at Wardner, in the Coeur d'Alene country, have quit work, and the hardest battle ever known between the miners and the mine owners is expected. The union demands $3.50 per day for underground men, with "scale" labor forced. The situation is critical. The Populists are in control of the county.

It is a new idea to mention that a certain political party is in control where there is a labor difficulty. One isn't told in the above dispatch whether "the situation in critical" because the miners struck or because "the Populists are in control," but the inference is that the Populists are likely to sympathize with the workingmen. There is a tip in this for those union men who seem to be still blinded as to their political interests.

No one was surprised that certain plutocratic newspapers waxed wroth over the report made by the federal strike commission. Not to have ridiculed the report and vilified the commissioners would have shown such papers to be unworthy of the trust placed in them by the barons, but the fidelity of the daily press paled beside that of a weekly sheet known as The Railway Age, whose editor addressed "an open letter to the strike commission." The "open letter" frothed and snorted in a way that must have delighted the railway kings, but it doesn't appear that the commission was frightened by it. Chairman Wright has sent the chief mogul of The Railway Age a letter from which the following is taken:

Yours of the 15th, inclosing a copy of your open letter to the strike commission, was duly received. I have examined the points you attempt to make against the commission and find that every material position taken by you is false, while our own positions are in the main clearly substantiated by the evidence taken by the commission and chiefly by the sworn testimony of the railway and Pullman officials. This evidence can be freely examined by any one you see fit to send to this office, as I have an extra copy of it, or you can find a copy of it in the hands of Judge Worthington at Peoria. The testimony will be printed by order of congress, and then every one can satisfy himself as to the truth of the position taken by the commission. I believe the report of the commission to be thoroughly impregnable as to every material statement of facts.

Another of labor's Fifth avenue preacher friends has been telling New York's Four Hundred all about the "tyranny of labor." I call him labor's friend because he says, "I am in favor of labor organizations." It makes no difference that in his sermon he gave the lie to that declaration a score of times. I conclude that he was guying his aristocratic hearers, and that all that he really meant was put into his declaration in favor of unions. The New York Tribune, another and distinguished friend of labor organizations, makes room for several extracts from the sermon of Rev. Charles H. Eaton, to which I refer. One paragraph which The Tribune took pleasure in finding space for was this:

When laboring men, like other men, have learned self control a little better, there will be fewer strikes and less tyranny. Let us remember that the tyranny of labor is a greater menace to safety than the tyranny of wealth.

No danger that "us" will forget the wise utterance of Mr. Eaton. His church is located at the corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-fifth street, New York. The average "us" of that neighborhood has no fear of "the tyranny of wealth." Let us observe one of the gentleman's instances of "the tyranny of labor:"

The committee appointed by the president should have made a more adequate report in connection with the sympathetic nature of that strike and the tyranny of the American Railway union in its unjust demands. I am in favor of labor organizations, but labor unions are always guilty of tyranny when they attempt to build down instead of up.

Eaton is a friend of labor, for he himself hath said it. The good Lord save us from such friends!

The Detroit News "writes up" one of the interesting characters of the city's water front, and as I read it I am put to thinking by this paragraph:

Another remarkable thing about this strange character, almost as noticeable as his gift of naming vessels, is that he is the only man out of 300 members in Longshoremen's union No 10 who subscribes for a labor paper. Harry Barter, president of the union, is responsible for this statement, and Harry ought to know. Mitchell pays $1 a year in advance for the Grand Rapids Workman, and he is well posted on almost all the important happenings in the field of labor, for his wife reads to him, and she says he is an attentive listener.

I say that paragraph puts me to thinking. I have published labor papers, and I have often been asked why I didn't keep at it. Read the answer in the above paragraph. All honor to Piette Mitchell, who, though he cannot read or write, supports the struggling labor press and keeps posted on labor affairs. Shame on the other 199 members of that union, and the many other unions with no better record!

JOS. R. BUCHANAN.

A Divine Discusses Monopolies, Immigration and Illiteracy.

On the subject of "America and Its Problems" the Rev. John L. Scudder, pastor of the Congregational tabernacle, Jersey City, preached a special sermon to the Junior Order of American Mechanics last Sunday. Among other things Dr. Scudder said:

We are all proud of our country, with its magnificent coast lines on the east, south and west, its gigantic lakes and majestic rivers, which carry the seaboard into the interior. What boundless territory is ours! You could put the whole of Germany or France into our state of Texas, throwing in Denmark, Belgium and Switzerland around the edges, and yet have a surplus of over 12,000 square miles. The state of California is large enough to hold the entire population of the globe and yet have only 14 persons to the acre. It has been well said that the Thames would scarcely make a gargle for the mouth of the Mississippi. We are the foremost agricultural nation of the earth. We have the most wealth. We are growing rich at the rate of several millions of dollars a day, but there are several knotty problems for us to solve, and one is that this wealth is so unevenly distributed as to cause alarm among farseeing men.

During the last 50 years there has been an increasing tendency toward the concentration of wealth in the hands of a few, and the people at large are in the power and under the heel of vast monopolies and trusts. If this evil is not checked, we shall drift fast into socialism. Whenever a monopoly becomes imperious and oppressive, the voters will combine and compel the state to do for them at a proper price what the monopoly did at an unjust price. If rapid transit companies neglect their customers, the people, through their representatives, will build rapid transit railroads of their own. If coal barons put up the price of coal unduly high and ignore the cries of the people, they will wake up some day to find that the government will condemn the coal beds of America and dig our coal for us at a reasonable price. This industrial problem growing out of the concentration of wealth is worth the study of every patriotic American.

Another problem crying for instant solution is that of immigration. If the working classes of America are to enjoy their present standard of compensation and maintain the self respect they have attained through high aspiration and general enlightenment, they must not be compelled to compete with the pauper labor of Europe and Asia through the wholesale introduction of foreigners into this country. There are no more 160 acre farms to give away to every man who knocks at our doors. We are beginning to feel the strain of unemployed labor in our large cities. We have all we can do to look after our own poor without welcoming the poor of every country on the earth. We have enough discontent here without importing anarchists and criminals from abroad to aggravate what already exists. This idea that America is the asylum for the offscourings of the earth is worn out. Let them go to Africa for the next half century. They are needed over there.

Another problem is how to overcome the illiteracy existing among so many of the people and make them fit to vote and play the part of intelligent citizenship. Our system of education is wholly inadequate to the public need. We claim to be an enlightened nation, and yet 5,000,000 people in these United States cannot write their names. Many children are in the factories and stores who ought to be in the schools, and many children are knocking at the schoolhouse door and cannot gain admittance. The greatest danger to our republic is the illiterate voter, who is a most incongruous product in a land of light and liberty. My firm conviction is that no man should cast his ballot who cannot read the constitution of the United States and understand what he is reading.

Jersey's Labor Programme.

The New Jersey Federation of Trades has mapped out the following legislative programme:

An amendment to the constitution providing for direct legislation.

An eight hour workday for all state, county and city employees.

A bill providing for a fair paid up or surrender value upon every industrial insurance policy held in New Jersey the premiums upon which have been paid for a period of one year.

A bill for the weekly payment of wages by manufacturing, mining and mercantile establishments.

A bill for the examination and licensing of stationary engineers.

A bill making it unlawful for companies operating railroads for public use, in the conveyance of persons and property, to employ any person who has not attained the age of 20 years to receive or transmit dispatches or train orders governing the movement of trains, and every person so employed shall have had at least one year's practical experience as a railroad telegraph operator.

A bill providing for the observance of legal holidays.

A bill granting additional power, through the courts, to the state board of arbitration, enabling the board to compel witnesses to testify before it.

A bill for the better protection of the journeymen printers of New Jersey in the distribution of official state printing and advertising.

A bill making it unlawful to retain wages due employees.

A bill making it unlawful for Pullman cars to sell liquor without license.

First Suit of the Kind.

A bill in equity has been filed in a Pittsburg court by President M. M. Garland and Secretary J. C. Kilgallon of the Amalgamated association against President W. C. Cronemeyer and Secretary John Jarrett of the Tinned Plate Manufacturers' association and the United States Iron and Tin Plate Manufacturing company for an injunction restraining the defendants from operating the Demmler Tin Plate works at lower wages than those named in the wage scale of the Tin Plate Workers and asking that this contract between the workers and the manufacturers be declared in force.

This is the first of the kind ever filed and will test the validity of a wage scale. A few weeks ago the Demmler plant started up nonunion, the union men refusing to take a reduction in wages, but insisting upon the contract existing between the mill owners and the union.

BEER AND POLITICS.

They Are Discussed Entertainingly by Brooklyn Sugar Trust Employees.

The other evening I wandered in the direction of Kent avenue, Brooklyn, and went into one of the "beeveries," and sitting down at a table called for a glass of beer.

There were half a dozen men at the next table engaged in a heated argument. Four of them were Irish, one was a Swede and the other a German.

They were evidently employees of the sugar house and were discussing politics and the reason for the great Republican victory and its effect on business.

One of the Irishmen, who had a high voice and a fringe of County Antrim whiskers, had the floor and was evidently finishing up his side of the argument.

"I tell yo, min," he said, "there's no use in talkin, but politics is a quare game. This time two years ago the bosses towld us that if Cleveland an all the other Dimocrats didn't get in the sugar business 'ud go to smash an we'd all be left high an dhry. Well, the Dimocrats got in, an phwhat was the result—the sugar bosses formed a thrust for the purpose o' lowerin wages an risin the price o' sugar at the same time, an phwhin the min struck the bosses towld thim they c'u'd go to the devil. Phwhin election time kem round this year, they shut down an towld the min that the uncertainty o' the election med thim uneasy, an if the Republican party wasn't successful perhaps the refineries would niver be able to resume. So the hands all voted the bosses' way, an, lo an behold yel the day afther election the refineries started up, an they've been runnin on full time iver since. Phwhat I can't understand is phwhy the success o' the Dimocratic party saved the sugar business this time two years ago, an phwhy the success o' the Republicans this year has accomplished the same thing." [The trust has since shut down all its refineries.]

"Well," said the Swede, seeing a chance to slip a word in edgeways, "yow doan' bane werry smart of yow donn' know about dose tangs. Et's do tariff what makes everytang go up an down, yust like seesaw. Some time dey put tariff on sugar; den she gow up. Den dey took off tariff, an she gow down. Dat's all dere is tow it."

"Allow me to differ wid ye," said one of the other Irishmen, who had a rather intelligent face. "It ain't aither the parties or politics or the tariff that's to blame for the state o' things at the present time. I believe wid Hinry George that the condition of the labering man will niver improve as long as the prevailing system of taxation remains in foorce. As long as the unearned increment is allowed to shwell the coffers of the rich, so long will the poor have to grovel in the dirt. Political parties may come an go. They may tinker wid the tariff from now till kingdom come, but there will be no change for the bether until the single tax is adopted. Phwhy should some human being's be compelled to work in a place as hot as the hinges o' hell ivery day for 12 hours at a shretch for a few dollars a week in order that other human being's may roll in the lap o' luxury? I tell ye, fellows, ivery dhrop o' sweat that rolls from the bodies of the workmin in that refinery is helpin to form a flood of rivolution tha'll sweat thim thrusts an things off the face o' the earth. Mark my words!"

The George theorist emptied his glass at this point, and so did the others. The beer seemed to have a quieting effect on them, for after a few grunts by the German and a few hems and haws by the other Irishmen and a severe wrinkling of the brow by the Swede, who was evidently trying to think of some argument that would knock out the disciple of Henry George, one of the men called to the bartender to fill the schooners and bring two packs of cards, and in a few minutes the whole crowd was absorbed in a game of pennuchle.—New York Herald.

The Percentage of Wrongdoers.

I crossed on one of the big Atlantic liners lately with 600 other saloon passengers. They were naturally people of intelligence and presumably of easy circumstances. Yet at least half of these people were planning to rob our government of money by contriving plans to avoid paying duties truly owed. To do this all of them had to break our laws, and in most cases had in addition to lie deliberately.

Many of them were planning to accomplish this theft by the bribery of the custom house inspectors, thus not merely making themselves thieves, but bribing other men to do wrong. In this city I can show you blocks so densely inhabited that they are an election district themselves. Blocks in which 20 people live and sleep in a single room year after year, where the birth of a little life into the world means that all must eat less and be less warm. But I cannot find in the poorest and vilest parts of the city any block where the percentage of liars and thieves and bribe givers is as large as was that among the first class passengers of that floating palace. Each condition of society has its own misdoings, and I believe varies little in the percentage of wrongdoers to the whole.—From "The Honorable Peter Sterling," P. L. Ford.

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Gompers and Voorhees.

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SUN WEATHER BULLETIN.

ALMANAC FOR MONDAY, DEC. 24.

SUN RISES	7 12	MOON RISES	5 11 AM
SUN SETS	4 17	FULL SEA	0 15 AM
LENGTH OF DAY	9 05		0 30 PM

For Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont: Fair; warmer; north winds, becoming south.

For Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut: Fair; northeast winds.

LOCAL NEWS.

Merry Christmas to every SUN reader.

Land in Pawtucketville has taken a boom.

As a general rule the stores will close tomorrow.

Today is a fast day, being the vigil of the feast of Christmas.

Open all day tomorrow. The Golden Sheaf, 55 Middle street.

One Merrimack street store had a record for a day's sales of $7500, the past week.

Miss Mary Gertrude McKenzie will read at Newton Highlands at an entertainment tomorrow evening.

You can get some nice articles at J. J. Gaynor & Co's, 35 Prescott street, for Christmas presents.

John J. Hart of the L. A. A., has been chosen vice president of the Mass. Cricket association and J. H. Comber, a director.

There will be good skating for Christmas out on Tyng's pond. The river will hardly be safe enough except inshore or in protected places.

The Cunard company says that it has taken more steerage passengers out of this country than it has brought to these shores during the past year.

The Ambulance Corps and Cadets play at basket ball at the armory tonight.

The Mathew Temperance Institute will hold a smoke talk, January 8.

Wished all a Merry Christmas.

The Central Labor union did not meet yesterday as no quorum was present. Before leaving the hall, the secretary took the names of four delegates from Textile union No. 79.

Conducted Their First Masses.

Rev. Fr. Murphy who was ordained Friday, celebrated his first mass at 9 o'clock yesterday morning in the Immaculate Conception church. The church was crowded with friends of the young priest. Fr. Costello celebrated mass in the chapel of the hospital. Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., served at both masses.

Excelsior Lodge, K. of H.

The lodge has elected the following officers: Dictator, H. O. Ham; vice dictator, E. D. Robinson; assistant dictator, O. Robinson; reporter, Frank M. Merrill; financial reporter, Geo. W. Patten; treasurer, F. W. Cragin; guide, Geo. H. Tryder; guardian, F. U. Haskell; sentinel, Ashman Stoddard; trustees, C. P. Conant, E. H. Cook, G. H. Tryder; representative, G. W. Patten; alternate, Zachariah Shore.

Installation of Officers.

Merrimack Valley lodge, M. U. O. F held a pleasant entertainment in Manchester Unity hall, Saturday evening. The program was as follows; Piano solo, F. Wilkinson; song, M. Gorman; reading, Miss K. Young; bells, Mr. Williams; song, F. Wilkinson; reading, Miss K. Young, song, S. Blackburn; feats of tumbling, Berard and Wilson; song, J. Harrison; recitation, F. J. Boyle; song, J. H. Mellen; zoaharp solo, D. Firth; song, M. Gorman; concertina solo, Thomas Jeffreys; reading, L. Frailix.

The final number was a laughable farce entitled "Irish Justice.

St. Michael's School Festival.

The Christmas entertainment at St. Michael's school took place Friday in the school hall, which was tastefully decorated with evergreens and holly. The children were very happy. Father O'Brien occupied the most prominent place on the stage. A visiting priest, Father Carroll, also was present:

Program.

Christmas Bells.....School
The Dollies Christmas.....Wee Girls
Christmas Carol.....Lydia Wood
Little Froggies' Song.....Girls
Base Ball Enthusiast. Dialogue.
John Quinn, W. Foye, T. Slowey.
Bessie's Dream.....Concert Recitation
Sleigh ride. Song.....Boys
The Secret. Dialogue.
M. Leary, E. Thompson, A. McEvoy.
Choice of professions.....Wee Boys
Recitation.....A. Slowey
Santa Claus. Song.....Little Girls
Miles from Dublin. Recitation.....Anna Tarpey
Scene from World's Fair.....K. McDonough
Adeste Fideles.....School

At the conclusion of the entertainment Rev. Fr. O'Brien expressed himself well pleased and thanked the good sisters for their untiring labor in the school. The children were then regaled with a treat of candy and other good things that belong to Christmas time.

POLICE NOTES.

As a lady was passing Maiden lane on Merrimack street, Saturday, her pocketbook was snatched by a nimble young thief who escaped through Market street. The case was reported to the police and Edward F. Maguire, 15 years of age, residing with his mother on Lewis street was suspected. He was arrested by Sergt. Kew and Officer Maguire, and when locked up confessed the theft. Capt. Moffatt and Sergt. Kew went to the house and found the pocketbook in the stove and the money under the tick. It is thought Maguire stole pocketbooks on Bridge street.

William Dunn was arrested Saturday night while in the act of stealing two herrings from Bloxom's fish market. He is charged with stealing two dead herrings valued at one cent, but is held upon the presumption that he is guilty of previous thefts.

Eugene Carty of Dunstable and Clifton Dawes of Tyngsboro, drove to the city, Saturday to see the sights. Both obtained jags and they drove up against an electric car on Central street near Middle street. The collision separated the horse from the wagon but the animal being sober didn't run away. Both men were arrested. Carter couldn't walk but Dawes was sober enough to haul the wagon to the police station where he was locked up.

Little Ones Burned.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 24.—A fire occurred last night in the flat at 209 South street, occupied by Charles Cornwall. Both Mr. Cornwall and his wife were away from home at the time, three children being left behind. In some unaccountable way the fire started, and two of the children were quite badly burned before being rescued. No one knew that another child was missing, but after the fire was extinguished the charred remains were found.

Judge Found Probable Cause.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24. — The preliminary hearing in the Gorham murder case concluded in the finding of "probable cause" against James Lewis, alias James Lewis Welch. Lewis was committed without bail to await the action of the grand jury. J. A. Coleman was put under $1000 sureties and Edward Graffam under $2000 to appear as witnesses before the grand jury. They were unable to get bail.

Dr. Colburn DENTIST 81 MERR'K ST.

A delicious smoke—Old Hundred cigar.

Wall paper at 18 Church street.

The mills will shut down tomorrow.

T. C. Lee, Fire Insurance, Donovan Bl'dg.

Mr. James Abbott is at home from Harvard.

C. J. Cheney, Jr., will be a candidate for superintendent of streets.

Will N. Shaw and T. B. Hustwick are at home from New York for the holiday.

The streets were never more crowded than on Saturday afternoon and evening.

Mayor-elect Courtney has been honored by having an original poem dedicated to him.

E. A. Wilson, coal dealer, is selling coal at lowest cash prices; call at 51 Merrimack street.

Patten & Co. have the finest potted and cut flowers in the city, Shedd's block, Central street.

Orders by mail for tuning and repairing promptly attended to at Downing's music store, 182 Merrimack street.

O'Donnell & Gilbride announce a reduction of prices in their Christmas stock in order to clean up everything today.

Ten per cent. discount on all parlor stoves bought this week for cash or instalments at A. E. O'Heir & Co., 16 Merrimack street.

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Catholic Prayer Books.

A large assortment of the latest and finest bindings, pearl rosaries, pearl cases and statuary, appropriate for presents to lady or gentleman, at Murphy's, 18 Appleton street.

To Redistrict the City.

A republican councilman-elect has in preparation a resolution which he proposes to introduce early in the year, when the council is organized, calling for the redistricting of the city into nine wards, and the election of three councilmen from each ward and nine ward aldermen.

The City's Health Last Week.

The weekly report of the board of health shows 33 deaths out of a population rated at 90,613. Typhoid fever was the cause of one death, scarlet fever 2, and acute lung disease 1. Thirteen deaths were of children under five years of age.

During the week there were reported 7 cases of scarlet fever, 4 of typhoid, 2 of diphtheria and 1 of measles.

Elections in the Mathews.

The semi-annual election of officers of the Mathew Temperance Institute was held yesterday morning. Many members were present, and there was considerable enthusiasm manifested over the result of the contests. The officers chosen are: President, Walter V. Hickey; vice president, James T. Dunfey; recording secretary, Cornelius Hickey; financial secretary, Patrick S. Kane; treasurer, James J. Conlan; spiritual director, Rev. Thomas F. McManus; board of trustees, William Boyle, John J. Cody and Frank McLaughlin; board of examiners, Patrick O'Neil, Frank Riley and George Doran; literary committee, John Lonergan, William McAleon and Peter Brady.

Four propositions for membership were received.

CHRISTMAS THEATRICALS.

At the Opera house Annie Ward Tiffany the favorite actress in the role of Lady Blarney will be seen afternoon and evening and we can truly say, judging from her fine performances in the past that a better holiday attraction will be hard to find. Those who have seen her Peggy Logan, will see even a more unique character as Lady Blarney.

Miss Marie Burroughs.

You should not delay in getting seats for Wednesday night, with Marie Burroughs in The Profligate the season's success. The entire company comes here from the Boston engagement.

Stoddard on Norway.

Thursday evening, Mr. Stoddard will present Norway and the land of the Midnight Sun in his course.

OVER THE VETO.

Passed the Moody Street Bridge Resolution on the Part of the Council.

The common council following the example of the board of aldermen passed the Moody street bridge resolution over the mayor's veto and did it in quick order that gave a fine finish to the business.

Twenty three members were present at Saturday evening's special meeting, Councilman Mansfield being the absentee.

It took President Sparks some time to read the resolution and the veto and when he concluded he called for a vote on the passage of the resolution notwithstanding the veto and he got the vote. Twenty-one members voted in favor of its passage and Councilman O'Connor and Tryder alone voted in the negative.

The council then adjourned.

GEORGE W. McALOON DEAD.

Injuries Received in a Runaway Accident Proved Fatal.

George W. McAloon, who was thrown from a carriage in a runaway accident on Coburn street, Monday evening, Dec. 10, died at St. John's hospital, at 10.45, Saturday night, as the result of the injuries received at the time of the accident.

He was unconscious for several days previous to his death and early in the week the attending physicians expressed an opinion that he could not recover. Saturday noon the physicians said he could not live through the day and that night his brothers and sister were notified that his death was expected at any moment. He lingered along, however, till 10.45 and then passed away, only a few friends and his brothers being present at his bedside.

Mr. McAloon was 20 years of age, and was employed as a Brussels weaver by the Lowell Manufacturing company. For many years he was a prominent member of Court Merrimack, A. O. F. of A., and also the Brussels Weavers' union. He had many friends who will be grieved to learn of his death.

He leaves four brothers, Charles H., John B., William F., and Fred, the last three employes of the Carpet company and members of the Mathew Temperance Institute and one sister. Funeral at 2.30 Tuesday afternoon from the residence on Jewett street.

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CHINESE ROUTED

Ten Thousand Chinese Flee Before Japs.

NEWSPAPER ADVICES FROM JAPAN GIVE DETAILS.

It Was a Chinese Hand to Hand Fight.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 24.—General Kasuro on Dec. 16 attacked General Lung's position seven miles west of Haiti-Chong. The position was defended by 10,000 Chinese, who were routed after four assaults.

A dispatch from Antonhg says that the Japanese force consisted of four regiments of infantry and five batteries of artillery. The latter bombarded the Chinese, who had established themselves in the village of Kung-Wasni. The infantry then thrice charged the Chinese lines. The fighting was stubborn, the combatants meeting hand-to-hand. The fight was the fiercest that has yet taken place. The Chinese loss is estimated at 500 killed or wounded. The Japanese also suffered severely.

A dispatch from Kobe says that thousands of Tonghaks defeated the Corean garrison of 300 soldiers at Challado, and then burned the houses. The inhabitants of the town fled. It is reported that a number of Chinese were among the Tonghaks.

Japanese Press Discussing Terms of Peace.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24. — Recent newspaper advices received here from Japan show that the question of the terms of peace that Japan will demand from China is a fruitful subject of discussion by the native press. Opinions, however, differ regarding these terms, and while some journals content themselves with speaking generally on the subject, others are more specific in their demands.

One paper asserts that Formosa, important from a commercial and military point of view, must at all events be taken. After detailing what an immense expenditure must be incurred by Japan in supporting Corea and protecting Japanese interests in the north of China following the war, the paper declares that Formosa will have to be annexed as a resource from which to draw receipts at least equal to these prospective expenditures.

Another paper enters a strong protest against the claims advanced that China must surrender territory entirely out of proportion to the objects for which the war was undertaken.

Assuming that the war is practically over, the Japanese are already discussing the matter of Japan's prospects thereafter. Mr. Kaneko, the vice minister of state for agriculture and commerce, has been looking into the history of the United States after the great civil war and to that of Germany after the Franco-Prussian war for light on the subject, and the Noshomushe has been holding consultations about the matter for some time, but the investigations are far from concluded. The vice minister is personally of the opinion that the extension of facilities for direct exportation is of the greatest importance.

Complications In Corea.

According to a Seoul correspondent, affairs are again becoming serious in Corea, where there is trouble, in which Tai Won Kun, who is understood here to be practically prime minister, is involved. It had its origin in the surrender of Li Heiki, a favorite of Tai Won Kun, to the Corean police, in whose custody he is now held.

Li Heiki, it appears, took part in all the deliberations of the faction headed by the aged statesman, and is therefore acquainted with its secrets. Shortly afterwards he was made a police official, and had frequent occasions to meet members of the Japanese police now in the capitol. Intercourse with the latter gave him an insight into the real intentions entertained toward Corea by Japan.

Thus newly enlightened, says the correspondent, his hatred of the crooked artifices and ignorant devices of the faction with which he had been connected grew intense, and conscience finally drove him drove him to confess to the police officials what he knew of the faction's doings. He was placed in confinement and, although implored by several of the parties against whom he had informed not to confess, he made a clean breast of all he knew and had done.

Some objections were made by the Corean government to the demands of the Japanese minister, Count Inouye, for the examination of witnesses implicated in the affair, the Coreans asserting that such proceedings would be contrary to the time-honored usage of the country. The result of this collision between Count Inouye and the Corean government was not clearly known at the time the correspondent wrote.

Important Chinese Dispatches Captured.

Letters, by means of which the faction instigated the Tonghak insurgents, together with other documents bearing on the same point, and secret dispatches sent by Tai Won Kun to the Chinese generals in the Phyong-Yang, have all fallen into the hands of the Japanese authorities, and the sinister project of the old gentleman and his followers against Japan, the correspondent adds, is now an open secret.

Since these events transpired, news has come to the United States by telegraph to the effect that the Japanese government has "dispensed with the services of Tai Won Kun," and the natural presumption is that this action was the result of the occurrences referred to.

Factional strife in the Corean court is said by another paper to be the prime cause of all the evils now hampering the country's progress along the path of reform. Lately, another bone of contention has been superadded to accentuate the political confusion already existing in the field of politics. It is a question relating to the parentage of prominent members of the government, and the present trouble had its origin in the old-time Corean system of concubinage.

The Price of War.

A Japanese paper gives a summary of the losses of the Japanese and Chinese armies up to Nov. 28, exclusive of the battles at Fung-Wang-Chang, Kinchan, Talien-Wan and at Port Arthur. It shows that the Japanese lost about 330 killed and 385 wounded, while the Chinese lost 4800 killed and 4600 wounded, and 1018 of them were made captives, making a total of 10,318.

The Chinese have also had 211 cannon taken away from them, 4395 rifles, 36,884 cannon shot, 43,000,000 cartridges, beside enough ammunition to last a month, firing with 20,000 rifles; 833 banners have been taken, 2400 tents, 1000 horses, 3,000,000 taels' worth of gold and silver, 111,090 mace coins, 2413 koku of rice, 6765 koku of unhulled rice, and in addition sufficient food to last an army of 20,000 men three days.

The Chinese have lost 13 vessels, a torpedo boat, five men-of-war sunk, and one of their war vessels captured, which makes a total tonnage of 9850 tons. The number of killed and wounded on the Japanese side is estimated at over 400, while those of the enemy is estimated at nine times that number.

WIND STARTED CAR.

Express Train Dashed Into It and Thirteen Lives Were Lost.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Manchester express, on the London and Northwestern railway, which was wrecked at Chelford Saturday night, consisted of two engines and 16 cars. A number of freight cars were being shunted near Chelford, when the wind started one of them back on the rails. A runaway car was driven slantwise across the main line just as the express approached.

The brakes of the express were applied and the engines reversed, but the momentum of the heavy train was so great that its speed was not quickly checked. The engines and three cars got clear before the freight struck the express. The cars which were hit by the freight were completely smashed, while those following were derailed and partially shattered.

The scene was a horrible one, the uninjured passengers screaming, the wounded groaning and the guards and porters shouting for assistance. Those passengers who had not been hurt formed a relief party. Thirteen bodies were taken out of the wreck, some of them badly mutilated. The injured numbered over 50.

Result of a Drunken Quarrel.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 24.—George Rusby, 60 years old, is locked up, charged with murdering his wife, Amelia, aged 43. The affair occurred on Tenth street, and was the result of a drunken quarrel, in which Rusby threw a lighted lamp at the woman. The lamp broke, and the oil and flames enwrapped her instantly. Mrs. Rusby received injuries from which she died. Rusby says she tipped the lamp over, but the woman in her dying statement to the police said he threw the lamp at her.

Louisiana Justice.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—George King, a desperate negro, was lynched at a slaughter house last evening. He had a difficulty with some butchers, and went off and got a shotgun. Constable Guerro tried to arrest him, and the negro escaped to a barn from which he fired into the crowd, wounding half a dozen persons. The barn was burned down and the negro forced into the open, where he was shot and then dragged to a tree and hanged.

Bad Gang Captured.

ERIE, Pa., Dec. 24.—The ringleaders in the gang of masked burglars, who a week ago beat and bound and at the point of torture secured the $10,000 which David and Sarah Slocum had laid up for a rainy day, have been captured. They are Frank Anderson, Ralph Van Assior and Jeremiah Casey. Casey's fondness for his cups loosened his tongue and gave the scent which resulted in the capture of the gang.

Holiday Till Jan. 3.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Congress adjourned Saturday until Jan. 3 without having accomplished anything. A feeble protest was made by Senator George of taking a recess, when there was so much that ought to be done, but, realizing that there was no intention on the part of the managers of the senate to let any of this work be done, he withdrew even this remonstrance.

Eastern Capital in the Northwest.

CHEYENNE, Wy., Dec. 24.—A syndicate of eastern capitalists have organized two large companies with a capital of $500,000. The Aladdin Coal company will develop coal properties in this state and the Southeastern Coal company is to construct and operate a railroad from the coal fields through South Dakota to a point on the Missouri river.

Killed In Own Home.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 24.—George Whittington, colored, was found dead yesterday at his hut near Collingswood. There is a bullet wound in his groin and he had bled to death. Three men and two women, who were also occupants of the house, have been arrested on suspicion of having murdered Whittington.

The President's Return.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Cleveland and his party of duck hunters returned to the city yesterday. The president looks well, his rheumatism having been much benefited by the trip. Altogether the party killed about 300 ducks, the president being responsible for more than half of them.

Couldn't Crack the Safe.

CONTOOCOOK, N. H., Dec. 24.—Burglars entered the store of William E. Mudgett and stole a large quantity of goods. The safe was badly hammered, but the thieves failed to get it open. A horse and wagon were stolen from Nahum Whittier, six miles from here.

Case Dismissed.

ALBANY, Dec. 24.—A supervisor made the charges that District Attorney Kelly had neglected his duty. The governor appointed W. H. Henderson to take the evidence, and as referee he finds that the charges were unfounded. Governor Flower therefore dismisses the case.

Probably a Murder.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 24.—The body of Matthew Fulton, a lineman, was found yesterday beside railroad tracks in the Sand Hill district. A large gash was in Fulton's head and his pockets were empty. It is thought that Fulton was murdered.

Prominent Salemite Dead.

SALEM, Mass., Dec. 24.—Charles Tappan, a prominent chemist, died here yesterday at the age of 71 years. He was the inventor of a process for bleaching new flax so the fiber could be worked direct, and also an electrician of considerable note.

Must Toe the Mark.

TRENTON, Dec. 24.—The big western oleomargarine dealers have made this state their chief distribution center. They are not complying with the state laws, and a large number of firms are to be prosecuted for evasion.

Work Is Dull.

CHEYENNE, Wy., Dec. 24.—An order has been received to close the Union Pacific shops in this city indefinitely at the end of this month. Only about 80 men will be employed here.

Teck Suits Them.

BOSTON, Dec. 24. — The Armenians throughout the state are very much pleased with the proposal that the Duke of Teck be appointed protector of Armenia. The United Friends of Armenia have received letters from Lynn, Lawrence and Worcester endorsing the proposal.

Another Cashier Gone Wrong.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Harold G. Butt, cashier of Hammerslough Bros., clothiers, is charged with embezzling $16,000 of that firm's money. Butt, it is said, systematically altered the books. He pleaded not guilty, and was held in default of $5000 bail for examination.

He Was Discouraged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24. — Despondency, caused by approaching blindness, caused Jacob F. D. Solis, a lawyer, to commit suicide by shooting. He was 41 years old.

THE WELCOME GUEST

RACE WAR FEARS

Seven Negroes Killed to Avenge Georgia Farmer.

MOBS ARMED TO THE TEETH FOR VENGEANCE.

The Blacks Have Planned Wholesale Murder.

QUITMAN, Ga., Dec. 24.—With seven negroes dead and armed mobs of whites and blacks in near proximity to each other, the outlook for a race war in this county is startling in its certainty. The excitement is the result of the murder of Mr. Joseph Isom, a farmer. Seven negro lives were taken Saturday and Saturday night to pay the penalty, and this seems to be only the beginning of the end.

It had been discovered that a number of negroes had conspired to kill every man in the posse that arrested Jerry Jeffreth, for the killing of T. Moulden, a few weeks ago, and that the killing of Isom was the commencement to carry out this awful conspiracy. What the outcome of this will be in the next 24 hours cannot be foretold. No action has been taken to stop the action of the mob so far.

The names of the killed are: Sam Taylor, Eli Frazier, Sam Pike, Harry Sherad and three whose names could not be learned. No white men have been killed so far.

A Reign of Terror.

A reporter visited the scene last evening. Every crossroad was picketed with sentinels and every man in the county is armed to the teeth. When one of these excitements occur, King Terror rules in the homes of whites as well as blacks, and this is such a case. There were probably 500 men under arms, covering an area of about five square miles.

About a mile from the home of Isom were about 300 whites, all well armed and breathing all kinds of vengeance. A mile farther was a crowd of negroes of about the same size, armed with Winchester rifles, pistols, axes, clubs and every available weapon, waiting for the whites to attack them. They intrenched in and around a lot of negro cabins in the midst of a thin grove, and the last information is that the whites are advancing on many sides.

It is understood that the Waverleys, Pike, Jim McLelland and a negro named Herring were the others of the seven lynched. The county is comparatively sparsely settled, and the facilities for securing information are very meager. Pike is the negro who killed Isom. He has been in hiding near where the trouble has occurred, and the authorities do not consider it probable that he has been caught.

Captain Tillman, father-in-law of Isom, was doing everything in his power to restrain the whites. He had sent hurried messengers all over the country, summoning to his aid conservative men, in the hope that he could prevent further bloodshed. It will be impossible to know how well he succeeded.

Whites Won't Talk of Peace.

Details of the killing are meager. Taylor, Frazier, Pike and Sherad were together about sunset Saturday night. They were regarded as four of the ringleaders of the conspiracy to kill and burn, and were especially sought for. A half dozen whites, one of whom is said to have been Isom's brother-in-law, came upon them suddenly and ordered them to submit to arrest.

One of the negroes answered with a shot that struck one of the whites, and four blacks were shot down in their tracks. The other three were caught, one at a time.

Many of Isom's neighbors, who were interviewed, will not listen to any peaceful talk. They declare they must stamp out the gang that had sworn to murder, and that spirit seems to predominate.

Sentence None Too Light.

HELENA, Mon., Dec. 24.—Charles J. Jones, a train robber, has been sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment. Jones and three other men held up a Northern Pacific train.

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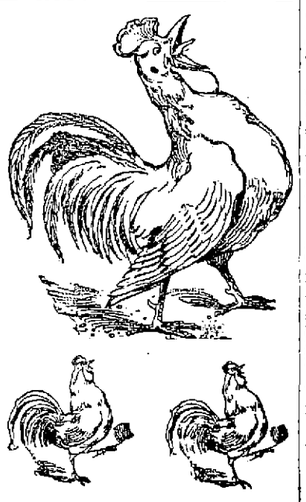

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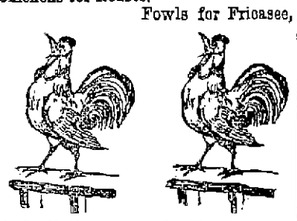

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A Drunkard's Dead.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 24.—George F. Ashford, a laborer, lived with his wife and five children in the east end of the city. For some time past he has been drinking heavily. He returned home late Saturday night and told his wife that her end had come. He then shot her in the head, killing her. Violet, aged 3, was next killed in a similar manner. Nine-year-old Mildred was also shot. The two boys escaped. The fiend fled, but seeing a car approaching, he threw himself in front of it, but the motorman pulled up in time to rescue him, handing him over to the police. Mildred will probably die.

Again In Good Standing.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Dr. Edward McGlynn was appointed on Saturday by Archbishop Corrigan to the rectorship of St. Mary's church at Newburg. There are about 8000 parishioners, and the church is in a sound financial condition. Dr. McGlynn will say mass at the church of the Holy Cross tomorrow.

Lifeboat Swamped.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 24.—Steamer City of Haverhill, from Boston to New York, in tow of the tug Ice King, nearly foundered off this port. The crew lost all their effects, having them in the lifeboat, which swamped.

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Sleeping Dolls 25c.
Washable Dolls 49c.

BOOKS.

Shepp's World's Fair 98c.
Chatterbox, 1894, 69c.
Babyland 25c.
McLaughlin's Books, 5, 10, 15, 19, 39c.
Young Folk's Stories 25c.
Board Cover Books 5c.
Precious Picture Series 15c.
Our Boys Assorted 49c.
Napoleon Bonaparte 69c.
Sunday Book 49c.
"Meadows Sweet in Mistletoe," by Mary A. Lathbury, 25c.
"A Cup of Tea," by Elizabeth S. Tucker, 15c.
Dore Bible Gallery 25c. and lots of others at the same low prices.

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Rubber Toys 5, 10, 15, 25, 49c.
Kaleidoscopes 10, 25c.
China Tea Sets 10, 25, 49, 75, 98c
Britannia Tea Sets 19, 25, 49c.
Solid Iron Toys 25, 49, 98c upwards.
Magnetic Swimming Toys, 5, 10, 25c.
Chinese Iron Toys 25, 49c.
Wooden's Real Steam Engines 49, 98c.
Toy Boat "Columbia" 49c.
Harmonicas 5, 10, 25c.
Toy Pianos 49, 98c, $2.47.
Brownies' Ladders 25c.
Scholar's Companions 5, 10, 25c.
Solid Iron Banks 5, 10, 15, 25, 48, 98c.
Toy Kitchens 10, 25, 49c.
Humming Tops 5, 10, 20c.
Jack-in-Box 5, 10, 23c.
Alphabet Blocks 5, 10, 25, 49c.
Paint Boxes, 5, 10, 25, 49c.
Trains and Cars 10, 25, 49c.
Dulcimos 5, 10, 25, 49c.
Toy Castors 25c.
Rocking Horses 98c, $1.97, $2.97
Air Guns 10, 25c.
Shell Boxes, 5, 10, 25c.
Rubber Balls, 5, 10, 19, 25, 49c.
Dolls Cradles, Bedsteads and Tables 25c.
Celluloid Balls 10c.
Jumping Dogs 20c.
Blackboards 25, 49, 98c.
Doll's Carriages 29, 49, 98c.
Magic Lanterns, 49, 98c., $1.69.
Bull's Eye Lanterns 100.
Trumpets, 5, 10, 25.
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Chivalry 89c.
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Embracing all the latest Games introduced this season, will be offered at 33c on the dollar.

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☞THE SUN is the only paper in Lowell receiving The Associated Press, cable and telegraphic despatches. Most of the news items in this issue can be found in the other local papers tomorrow, if you are willing to wait till then.

Later News in Six o'clock Extra.

PERSONAL.

Miss Edith Gray of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Nicholas G. Norcross of Huntington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Mulno of Branch street started for Albany, N. Y., Saturday to spend the holidays with Mrs. John Knox.

Miss Grace Hadley, who has been teaching at Bradford academy the past term, is spending the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Hadley of Middlesex street.

Thomas G. Gerrish, Jr., of this city, postal clerk between Boston and Portland, has been notified by the government of an increase of salary from $1100 to $1200 per annum.

He May Have Skipped.

M. B. Curtis, the actor who is under bonds to return to Lowell at the next Superior civil court, is reported to have gone to Europe. J. B. Swift is his bondsman. The case pending grew out of the poor debtor's hearing in the police court recently.

Mr. Moody's Departure.

Evangelist Moody concluded his labors here yesterday by two monster meetings at the rink with equally big overflow meetings in the Branch street tabernacle and Huntington hall, afternoon and evening.

Weddings Tomorrow Perhaps.

The following intentions were recorded at the city clerk's office today:

John R. Cummings 25, to Amelia T. Logan 23, Lynn.

Fred A. Pilling 22, to Belle V. Buchanan 20.

Xavier Fontaine 28 to Georgiane St. Cyr 26.

CHRISTMAS.

Presents of money to England, Ireland and Scotland for Christmas at the Money Order Office, 324 Market Street corner of Worthen, payable at any bank in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

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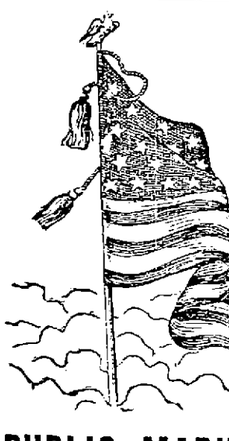

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FRENCH CITIZENS

Organize the Franco-American Club Yesterday.

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Vigorous Addresses Set Forth Objects of Club.

The greatest meeting of French citizens ever held in this city was that at Jackson hall yesterday afternoon. It was convened for the purpose of perfecting the Franco-American club; the French citizens turned out en masse, not less than a thousand being packed into the hall; eloquent speakers delivered addresses, enthusiasm ran high, subscriptions were called for and freely given in large amounts, and altogether the meeting was an unqualified success.

J. L. Chalifoux was made temporary chairman, and Mr. Bourbonniere, secretary. In his opening address Mr. Chalifoux sounded the keynote of the speeches that followed.

It was essentially a non-partisan meeting and when it was over party lines were practically obliterated.

Mr. Chalifoux said that the interest manifested at the municipal election demonstrated the fact that the French citizens are thoroughly aroused from their indifference in politics and hereafter are determined to take active part in elections. The speaker adduced many strong arguments demonstrating the advantages derived from the priceless privilege guaranteed by the American constitution in the electoral ballot, and argued that the French people in this city have not shown a due appreciation of that privilege. The history of Canada shows that our fathers fought and gave their lives to wrest from England a portion of the privileges offorded under this glorious American government free to all native and adopted citizens. France ceded Canada to England causing many of the better class of French to return to France in indignation at the surrender. About 75,000 farmers remained and these were deprived of their political rights, completely snojugated by England and remained in a state of servile and total patriotic men arose in 1837 and 1838 and fought for their rights. No less than eighteen of them were hanged for revolt, and hundreds of others were sent into exile for life. Thus it was that they obtained the privilege which they enjoy in Canada today. If they did so much for this privilege of a free ballot, is it not worth your while to avail yourselves of this privilege freely offered you by this free government.

It is your duty to yourselves and to the country to get naturalized, to acquire that privilege of voting, exercise the franchise for the country's good and you will at the same time benefit yourselves. You come here to be Americans, you are here to stay and you are here if necessary to follow the patriotic example of Lafayette in defending the nation's existence in arms.

You have complained in the past about the Americans and the Irish not treating you fairly; you have no right to complain. The fault is all your own because you have not yourselves taken up the responsibility of citizenship as promptly as you should. Why should you expect any class to take an interest in you, politically, if you are not a component part of the body politic. Become citizens, exercise the suffrage first for the good of the city and the state, next for yourselves, and you will have no cause to complain; you will have your share of the patronage.

The great attendance at this meeting today shows you are thoroughly aroused and that you mean to correct your mistakes in the past.

Speeches were also made by Aime Gauthier, Charles Roy, E. H. Choquette, A. Jean, L. P. Turcotte, Hilaire Dozois, C. Rossin, J. H. Guillet and Councilman-Elect Rivet.

It was stated that in years past the French themselves opposed their representatives when nominated for office forgetting that the elevation of one was the elevation of all. This must now be changed so that it will be all for one and one for all.

Subscriptions were called for and J. L. Chalifoux headed the list with $50 while a long list of contributions of from $10 to $25 was made up. The amount of the smaller contributions reached $200 and the whole will exceed $500. The names of fifty persons eligible for naturalization were taken.

LOCAL NOTES.

The assistant assessors are candidates for renomination.

Ex-alderman Allen's condition is reported more comfortable.

The committee on accounts met this morning and approved bills.

A meeting of the city hall commission will be held at 7.30 this evening.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Trefry of North Billerica.

The Olympic alley pin boys have challenged the Columbian alley boys.

Mr. Currier's system of counting ballots will be used in the recount at Boston.

The Baptist Sunday school of North Billerica will hold its Christmas tree festivities tonight.

In selecting useful Christmas or New Year gifts, visit the Criterion before purchasing.

Mr. Charles Kilpatrick of Union college, Schenectady, N. Y., is visiting Mr. Lewis and family.

Lewis Gumb, the stone mason, has given each of his employes a turkey to assist in making it a merry Christmas for them.

Mr. Oscar Spencer and Miss Lizzie Faulds of North Billerica, will be married at St. Anne's church in this city tomorrow.

Employes of Faulkners' mill at North Billerica are receiving their usual Christmas gifts from the Misses Faulkner of San Bernardino, Cal.

Moir Bros. & Co. have marked at closing out prices all their Christmas goods, and those who haven't bought their present can get bargains today.

The post office will be open for general delivery and the sale of stamps from 8.30 to 10 a. m., tomorrow. There will be a morning but no afternoon delivery by the carriers.

Where are you going my pretty maid? Why to Greene's, he sells watches, jewelry, silverware, pianos, organs, and sewing machines at prices that tell. Go to Greene's 88 Merrimack street.

The Lowell Commercial college will reopen for the next term, Dec. 31. Reasonable tuition rates for a practical business education, bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting, etc. Graduates assisted in obtaining positions. Make applications now.

WANTED FORFEIT MONEY.

Only $80 Coming to City on Account of Delay on the East Merrimack Street Bridge.

The committee on streets met Saturday afternoon to approve bills. Councilman Robinson was absent. The company that built the East Merrimack street bridge sent in a bill of $420 for extra work, and Councilman Noble protested against the payment of it. The committee voted to pay it.

A motion was then made to charge the company $25 a day for 20 days' delay on the bridge work. Councilman Noble offered an amendment that the company be charged for 60 days. The amendment was lost and the original motion passed.

The chairman of the committee and Supt. Crowley were instructed to purchase a horse for Mr. Crowley. The difference between the company's bill and the city's forfeit levied is only $80 in favor of the city.

TOM MORIARTY

Is in Lowell After a Pleasant Sporting Trip in New York State.

Tom Moriarty, the clever lightweight, is at home for Christmas looking in fine trim. While in Lowell he will be pleased to meet his friends, and incidentally he would like to keep himself in trim by getting on a return match with Flaherty for side money or a good reasonable purse, at 125 pounds.

Moriarty would like to get a "go" at Starlight, or in fact, any good 125 pound man in the country. Moriarty has been meeting good men all the fall and has not met his match yet.

A Lowell Boy's Record Breaking.

It was claimed by a Boston paper recently that Mayor Bancroft's son of Cambridge had the honor of smashing all records at the Harvard admission examination. The matter has been looked up and there are two young men ahead of Mr. Bancroft, the highest being Arthur W. Hodgman of this city who made an average of 90 per cent with E. K. Arnold of Cambridge 87 1-2 per cent and Hugh Bancroft, 77 1-0 per cent.

Mr. Hodgman is the son of Mr. Benjamin Hodgman of Methuen street, foreman of the L. O. P. clothing store. The young man is at present taking an advanced course at Cambridge.

Cradle for a Present.

The employes of F. E. Haines, the laundry man on Middlesex street, testified to the good will they bear their employer by presenting him a pair of beaver driving gloves. To Mrs. Haines they gave a cradle for her one year old son. The gifts were a genuine surprise to both Mr. and Mrs. Haines, who were entirely at loss as to the cause of the shut down in their laundry Saturday afternoon when the presentation was made. Of course everything was explained when the presentation address was made.

At Music Hall.

The new stock company will make its first appearance at this popular house this evening in Mortimer Murdock's famous melodrama entitled "A Hoop of Gold." Mr. J. Francis Kirk and Miss Ethel Tyler are engaged for the leaders, while the old popular favorites, Thomas and Watson, will take care of the comedy. There will be an extra holiday matinee Christmas day and a special dime matinee Wednesday. Thursday Mortimer Murdock's beautiful drama, "A Brave Woman," will be presented. The prices will remain at 10, 20 and 30 cents.

Foresters Attention!

The members of Court Merrimack, No. 6462, are requested to meet at their hall, Palmer and Middle streets, Tuesday afternoon, December 25th, at 2 o'clock for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late brother, George A. McAloon. The members of the various courts of the A. O. F. of A. are cordially invited to attend.

Per order JAMES F. MISKELLA, C. R.
J. J. GALLAGHER, F. S.

In the Next Generation.

Four years ago last Saturday the board of aldermen petitioned the Supreme court to appoint grade crossing commissioners. In the next generation the abolition of the crossings will be an event looked forward to.

A Class of Nurses.

The first class of trained nurses at St. John's hospital will graduate with appropriate exercises in the Immaculate Conception school hall next Thursday afternoon.

DOLLAR NECKWEAR.

If you can't find a good assortment anywhere but at

-THE-

Merrimack Clo' Co.

OPPOSITE CITY HALL.

'Tis because we bought enough to go around. We bought the biggest assortment and best values today.

1-2 DOLLAR NECKWEAR

Our values are immense because we place the 75 cent line on our counters at this price and the line is still complete.

1-4 DOLLAR NECKWEAR

'Twas in dozens we sold these Saturday yet you'd notice no depletion in our stock.

If in Doubt about Umbrellas, Walking Sticks, Muffiers, Jewelry, Gloves

or any of the staple lines which belong to a well appointed stock come to Merrimack Corner.

FURNISHED ROOMS, with or without board, by the day or week, at 129 East Merrimack street.

A NICE OFFICE, suitable for doctor or dentist, to let in THE SUN building. Rent very low.

CHURCH MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS

SPECIAL PROGRAMS IN CATHOLIC AND EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

"Glory to God in the Highest, Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" the Hymn of Tomorrow.

The services in the Catholic and Episcopal churches tomorrow will be of the special elaborate nature. Below will be found the programs in detail:

St. Michael's Church.

10.30 A. M.

Overture. Organ and orchestra.
Asperges.....Webbe
Mass of St. Cecilia.....Gounod
Offertory. Adeste fideles.

VESPERS AT 7 P. M.

Millard's.
Laudate Pueri.....Zingarelli
Hymn, Jesu Redemptoris.....Mozart
Magnificat.....Lambillotte
Alma.....Mozart
O Salutaris.
Tantum Ergo.....Rossini
Hallelujah Chorus.....Handel

Soloists—Miss Nellie Gilday, Miss Minnie Courtney, Mrs. Mary Kelly, Mr. John Kennedy, Mr. Andrew Hedley; assisted by Cantwell's orchestra; Mr. Henry Gilday, organist; Mr. John Warburton, director; chorus of 60 voices.

Sacred Heart.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS, 10.30 A. M.

Asperges.....Neuland
Mass in F.....A. D. Rosenig
Veni Creator.....Handel
Offertoire.....Pastorale Lambillotte
Adeste Fideles.

VESPER SERVICE, 3 P. M.

Domine Ad.....Millard
Psalms, Dixit.....Millard
Confitebor.....Est
Beatus Vir.....Est
Laudate Pueri.....Zingarelli
Laudate Dominum.....Est
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.....Est
Magnificat.....Mozart
O Holy Night.....Drossler

Solo and Quartet.

O Salutaris.....L'Abbe De Dose

Soprano solo.

Tantum Ergo.....Goeb
Laudate Dominum.....Est

Solos by members of the choir, assisted by a male quartet and chorus of thirty voices.

Miss Adelaide A. Sullivan, organist and director.

St. Jean Baptiste.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS AT 10.30 A. M.

Overture.....Suppe
Asperges.....Gregorian
Introit, Hodie Christus natus est.....Gregorian
Mass in B flat.....Farmer
Offertoire Pastorale.....Lambillotte
Sortie.

VESPERS, 6.30 P. M.

Psalms.....Gregorian
Magnificat.....Lambillotte
Alma Redemptoris.....Lambillotte
O Salutaris.....Martigue
Tantum Ergo.....Goeb
Laudate Dominum.....Gregorian

Chorus of 30 voices, assisted by McElroy's Orchestra. Solos by Misses Cusse and Dereziers.

A. Alexander, organist; E. J. Pinault, director.

St. Patrick's.

Solemn high mass at 10.30 a. m.
Organ Prelude.....Adeste Fideles
Gounod's Pastoral Mass in B Flat.
Veni Creator.....Gounod
Adeste Fideles. (Offertorium).....Webbe
Glory to God.
Postlude Organ and Orchestra.

Evening Service at 7 P. M.

Prelude Organ and Orchestra.
Psalms.
Domine Ad.....Millard
Dixit Dominus.....Millard
Confitebor.....Fiske
Beatus Vir.....Fiske
De Profundis.....Schmidt
Memento Domini.....Schmidt
Eynn, Jesu Redemptor.....Mozart
Magnificat.....Klein
Alma Redemptoris.....Mozart
O Salutaris.
Tantum Ergo.....Rossini
Te Deum.

The choir which consists of a double quartet and chorus will be assisted by the American orchestra at both services.

M. J. Johnson, organist.
E. F. Faulkner, director.

St. Joseph's Church.

Overture, by the Olympian Orchestra.
3d Mass of Haydn.
Offertory, Ave Maria.....Gounod
With Violin Obligato.
March, by Orchestra.

3 P. M. VESPERS.

Overture.....Orchestra
Hymn.....Violin Chants
Magnificat.....Mozart
Alma Redemptoris.....Lambillotte
Benediction.
Adeste Fideles.....Novello
Ave Maria.....Gounod
Tantum Ergo.....Verdi
Arranged by A. W. Duval.
March, by Orchestra.
Ed. Vincelette, organist; A. W. Duval, director.

Immaculate Conception.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS AT 10.30 A. M.

Introit, Puer natus est nobis.....Gregorian
Gradual, Viderunt Omnes.....Gregorian
Mass, Solus Io.....Abbega
Offertory, Noel.....Van Reyschoot
Dulce Solitum Pastoros.....Costa

EVENING.

Psalms.....Emerich and Sir John Stevenson
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.
Magnificat.....Raimondi
Antiom, Alma.....Mozart
O, Salutaris.....Rossini
Tantum Ergo.....Verdi
"Glory to God".....Robinson
Prof. P. P. Haggerty, conductor; Mrs. P. P. Haggerty, organist. A chorus of sixty voices assisted by the American orchestra.

St Anne's.

The boy choir will sing the following service on Christmas day. Newell N. Mansfield organist and musical director.

Processional.....Smart
Venite.....Felton
Gloria Patri.....Barnby
Te Deum.....C. L. Williams
Benedicte.....Barnby
Introit.....Schubert
Gloria Tibi.....Kendrick
Calm on the Listening Night.....Dykes
Offertory, There Were Shepherds.....Tours
Sanctus.....Stainer
Gloria in Excelsis, Old Chant.
Retrocessional, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing.
Mendelssohn

St. John's.

Processional, O come, all ye faithful.....Reading
Venite.....Woodward
Gloria Patri.....Goss
Te Deum, Jubilate Deo.....Baker
Introit Hymn, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing.
Mendelssohn
Kyrie.....Baker
Sanctus.....Baker
Hymn, O, Little Town of Bethlehem.....Redner
Offertory, Sing, O Heavens.....Clare
Hymn, Shepherd of Souls.....Dyke
Gloria in Excelsis in F.....Baker
Recessional, Angels from the Realms of Glory.
Smart

House of Prayer.

MORNING.

Processional Hymn No. 61.
Kyrie Eleison.....Tours in B flat
Gloria Tibi.....Dykes in F
Anthem. "Behold, I bring you".....Atwood
Offertory.....Barnby in E flat
Sursum Corda.
Sanctus.....Wesley in F
Benedictus.....Tours in E flat
Agnus Dei.....
Hymn No. 53.
Gloria in Excelsis.
Nunc Dimittis.

St. Peter's Church.

MORNING.

Prelude. Organ and orchestra.
Mass.....Haydn's Third
Veni Creator.....Cirillo
Offertory. Adeste Fideles.....Novello
Postlude.

VESPERS 7 P. M.

Psalms.....Millard
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.....Mozart
Magnificat.....Mozart
Alma Virgo.....Lambillotte
Ave Verum.....Falkenstein
Tantum Ergo.....Handel
Laudate Dominum.....Est

Soloists, sopranos, Misses Lizzie McLaughlin, Lilla Cooke; alto, Mrs. A. A. Cunningham; tenors, Messrs. Molloy and Haley; baritones, James Donnelly and D. A. McHugh; bass, Messrs. Frank J. Doherty and Ed. Martin; chorus of 30 voices under the direction of Mr. T. F. Molloy. Organist, Mrs. J. T. Kennedy.

5 O'CLOCK

LAWRENCE MARTIN KILLED

HE FELL FROM A PLANK SCAFFOLD TO THE GROUND.

He Was a Brick Mason and Steady Workman—Christmas Finds Seven Little Children Fatherless—Death Was Very Busy In This Christmas Season.

Lawrence Martin, a brick mason at work on a scaffold at the Tremont & Suffolk mills, just before noon fell to the ground, quite a distance, and alighting on his head, was so badly hurt that he died soon after.

Just how the accident occurred is not clearly explained at this time of writing, but it is thought he made a misstep on a plank and falling turned a somersault with the result stated.

He lived in Blair's block on Broadway, and at home is a wife and seven little children. It will be a sad Christmas for them. Martin was about 35 years of age. The remains were taken to O'Donnell's rooms.

DAY IN POLICE COURT.

Many Drunks Were Fined by the Judge.

Lowell still holds its sad record for drunken women. There were eight in court this morning.

There were 21 week day and 13 Sunday drunks. Of the total number 13 were released.

Elderic Frappier, who was arrested by Constable Gately, was sentenced to the state farm for six months.

Mary J. McManus was recently discharged from the workhouse and got in again for five months having been drunk again.

Officers Fox and Duncan raided a room in a Merrimack street block last night and arrested six drunken men who were holding a symposium with six pints of whiskey and a pailful of punch made of raw alcohol and water. All were French except one and he was Italian. A French interpreter was used in all cases even that of the Italian whom all thought was French until after his trial. They were fined $5 each.

Patrick Stack, fourth time, was sent to jail for five months.

Josephine Atwood, found guilty of being a vagrant was sent to the work house for six months.

James P. Doherty, who stole a turkey, was sent to jail for two months.

James McManus, who was found guilty of assaulting his wife, was fined $10 and put under bonds to keep the peace.

A man named Houston was tried for indecent exposure and found guilty. The court imposed a fine $15 which Houston paid. The affair occurred outside W. H. I. Hayes' residence.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

GRANT—The funeral of Julia Grant took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, 24 Walker street, and was largely attended. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery, where service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Leonard.

The bearers were Messrs. Peter J. Brady, Alfred Willett, Freland Secord, Wm. Thompson, Michael Mulcahey and Fred Dennis.

McCARRON—James McCarron, Jr., a popular ward three resident who died Friday was buried yesterday afternoon from his late home on Gorham street.

At 2 o'clock the Mathew Temperance Institute and Burke Temperance Institute assembled at their respective halls and headed by St. Patrick's Cadet band marched to the residence of the deceased. The casket containing the remains was borne to the hearse and the cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church. Nearly every seat in the large edifice was occupied by friends and relatives of the deceased. The service was conducted by Rev. Fr. McKenna, and at the conclusion the members of the societies marched past the casket and took a last look at the remains of their brother member. The funeral procession was then reformed and proceeded up Gorham street to the Catholic cemetery. Hundreds of people gathered on the sidewalks as the procession moved along and many expressions of sympathy were heard. At the grave in the Catholic cemetery the body was lowered to its last resting place and a final prayer was offered. Several beautiful floral offerings were placed over the grave. The pall bearers were Messrs. Thomas Green, Ralph Cullen, William Ryder, Thomas Keegan, Philip McNulty and John Thompson. Deceased was a popular member of the Burke Temperance Institute, and always evinced a lively interest in society affairs. Since the death of his father he has conducted a store in Ward Three, and dealt in newspapers, periodicals and varieties. He had numerous friends and succeeded to make acquaintances by his free manners and kind disposition.

TRAVERS—The funeral of Daisy E. Travers took place this afternoon from her parents' home on Broadway and was well attended. The pall bearers were John Graham, John Keyes, Edward Riley, John Quinn, Fred O'Brien and John Ward.

There were some beautiful floral offerings among them being a pillow inscribed "Our lost darling," from the family; crescent and bar, James Ryder; star, Annie McGuire; spray of pinks, Mrs. Bickford; bouquet, Miss Alice Riley; pinks, Ella Ryder; basket, Bridget and Mary Smith; pinks and roses, the Misses Ward; pinks, Sunday school class of St. Patrick's church; bouquet, Mrs. P. Brady; pinks, Miss Hoyt; pinks and roses, Mrs. Kate McNamara. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, where service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Burke.

GARGHAN—The funeral of the late Mary A. Garghan took place this afternoon from St. Peter's church, service being conducted by Rev. Fr. McManus. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

The Strikers' Meeting.

The Faulkner mill strikers met Saturday afternoon and the ball committee reported the social as a financial success. A contribution of $25 has been received from a business man.

Priv. C. O. Estabrook of the Welch Guards and Private Ed. Worthen of the Cadets are especially mentioned as prize winners in the adjutant general's report.

MILL KINDLING 99c. A LOAD.—We sell Mill Kindling, thoroughly dry, for a dollar a load. We guarantee it to be the biggest load for the price in the city. Drop us a postal and the load is yours for 99c. Ed. Cogger & Co., Wood and Coal Dealers, 155 Church Street.

101 YEARS OLD TOMORROW.

MRS. BRIDGET FOX WILL HAVE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

Remarkable Event Which She Will Celebrate Tomorrow—A Sketch of the Venerable Lady's Life—She is Hale and Hearty and Has a Large Family to Gather About Her.

Tomorrow, Mrs. Bridget Fox, now a centenarian, will have rounded out 100 years of life and reached her 101st anniversary of her advent on this earth. Christmas day to her is a day of double joy. The great feast which marks the birth of the Saviour, brings its tender memories to her.

Mrs. Fox is a delightfully interesting old lady, and reside in a cottage of her own on Lakeview avenue, opposite Coburn street. In the midst of a busy section of our great city she enjoys her daily existence undisturbed by the surrounding noise and clamor of the street. Her favorite occupation in passing the hours is with the needle and in its use she is very adept both in crocheting and knitting fancy articles of all descriptions. In fact she is attracted to fancy work and visitors to her home marvel at some of the specimens of her handiwork. She is a well preserved old lady, and her appearance belies the years of existence attributed to her.

An inquirer is inclined to doubt the old lady's words when she remarks: "I am one hundred years old and if I live till Christmas day will be one hundred and one." Her daughter-in-law Mrs. Catharine Fox resides in the house with her and is surprised at the old lady's activity.

Mrs. Fox is a very cautious lady for one of her years. The writer well remembers a visit he paid to the home of Mrs. Fox last year, in quest of a brief sketch of her career. His summons was answered the lady herself, who upon learning the reporter's mission appeared somewhat doubtful and then replied, "I guess you had better call when my daughter is at home. She can tell you just as well as I."

Mrs. Fox makes life pleasant for herself and frequently visits her daughter Mrs. Delaney of Broadway, who is the only surviving child of a family of six sons and two daughters.

She can also boast of fifteen grand children and four great grand children.

The old lady often falls into a reminiscent mood and then her talk is very interesting, especially when she relates events and happenings in her native land, three-quarters of a century ago.

She was born in Ballaree, County Monayban, and came to this country in 1846.

Among the grand children are Rev. Fr. Delaney of Portsmouth, N. H., Sister Louise of Waltham and Mrs. John A. O'Hearn of this city.

DEATHS.

JOHNSON—Mary Johnson, aged 60 years, died yesterday at 41 Paige street.

BYRNE—Bridget Byrne, wife of Edward Byrne, died yesterday at her home, 10 Lewis street. Besides her husband she leaves four children.

GARGAN—Mary A. Gargan, widow of John Gargan, died yesterday morning at her home on Kinsman street. She leaves four young children.

FESSENDEN—Sarah E. Fessenden, aged 52 years, died Saturday at her home in Tewksbury. She leaves four children, one of whom is the wife of Overseer Van Deusen of the Hamilton.

MANGAN—Nellie Mangan, aged 11 years, daughter of James and Jennie Mangan, died Saturday at her home on Chapel street. The funeral took place yesterday morning and the interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

REED—Betsey Reed, aged 97 years, died Friday at her home 455 Moody street. She was confined to her home during the past year, but retained full possession of her faculties, ailing only from the infirmities of age. She was a member of the First Congregational church and took an active interest in church affairs. She was possessed of a kind, obliging disposition that endeared her to her acquaintances. As early as 1820 she with her sisters, Sabina, Hannah and Laurinda, kept a boarding house on the Merrimack corporation.

Death of Julius Chambers, Jr.

Julius Chambers, Jr., grandson of Sheriff and Mrs. Cushing, and son of Mr. Chambers, the well known New York journalist, is dead, and the funeral service occurred from the sheriff's home at the jail this afternoon. The remains reached here Saturday evening. Prior to their removal from New York brief services were held by Dr. T. De Witt Talmage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chambers in New York.

To young Chambers the knowledge that he had only a short time to live came suddenly and almost simultaneously with his attainment to the West Point appointment, an honor toward which he had directed all his efforts for the past four years. After preparation at the Mitchell school at Billerica, Mass., he had studied at Clinton Military academy at Fort Plain, N. Y., and in June last, after passing the requisite examinations, had received from Lemuel E. Quigg, New York congressman from the district in which he lived, promise of the coveted position.

Upon his physical examination, which was held only a year ago, the examining physicians rated him almost perfect. In April he contracted the grip, which, before any suspicion of the fact was awakened even in the minds of his physicians, developed into pulmonary trouble.

In the struggle which followed to check the advance of the disease the young man visited different localities and had the most approved forms of treatment. When told that his case was without hope he took the message without flinching. To the last he was cheerful, brave and manly. His greatest desire seemed to be to lessen the grief of those around him.

His friends, and they were many, knew him for a bright, talented, companionable, plucky lad, manly beyond his years. He was an excellent all-round athlete and a musician of no mean merit. He was tall and looked the soldier that he longed to be.

His death came suddenly. The family had made preparations to start south within a few days. Some friends were with him throughout the evening, and he was in better spirits than usual. Late at night he was seized with violent coughing, from the weakening effects of which he had not strength to rally. His death was peaceful and without pain.

McManmon, florist, Prescott & Merrimack sts

Sunday School Christmas Concerts.

There were pleasing and finely arranged Sunday school concerts partaking of a Christmas nature in the Eliot, First Congregational, First Presbyterian, Central Methodist and Worthen street Methodist churches, last evening.

Cornered.

Yes, we have been cornered at the old stand for just 10 years this Xmas, but our present display of holiday goods beats all previous efforts. The U. S. Tea Co., corner Central and Prescott streets.

LATEST

WANTED HIS LIFE

Angry Citizens Tried to Make a Jail Break.

TWO PROMINENT CITIZENS HARANGUED THEM LOUDLY

And Finally Turned Away the Mob's Wrath.

By Associated Press To the Sun.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 24.—Hon. W. H. Flemings, speaker of the Georgia legislature and Judge Eve of the county court, for hours talked to a mob of infuriated citizens who wanted to break into the jail to deliver a negro murderer.

They talked against time and kept the mob at bay until at noon the latter dispersed. Jabe Wiggins killed a negro in a neighboring town and came here. A posse of police guarded the house and Wiggins opened fire, fatally wounding two officers, wounding another and killing a spectator. He was finally lauded in jail and the mob tried to get him. But the mob may try again.

FROM THE WIRE.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

The Kittery point railway station was burglarized last night and tickets and money stolen.

The Japanese captured a Chinese seaport, Lai-Chow, yesterday.

Judge Wilson of Chicago on the appeal Debs, et als', counsel to have the jail sentence vacated has fixed the hearing for January 8th.

MAJOR STOTT'S GIFTS

To Every One of His Employes With His Wish for Their Merry Christmas.

Major C. A. Stott of the Belvidere Woolen mills, has given every man and boy in his employ a turkey, and every woman and girl a fine umbrella, with his wish individually and collectively that each might have a merry Christmas. Hats off for the Major, who is the right sort of an employer.

OUR WATER SUPPLY.

Driven Well Systems to be United in the Near Future.

The new driven wells will be in running order and connected with the others by the first of February. The city engineer's staff is now engaged on a plan to connect the plants and this will be completed in a short time.

The contract calls for 2,000,000 gallons, and the city will pay for all above that amount. The probability is that the new wells will produce about 2,500,000, which added to the product of the other wells means a total of about 5,000,000 gallons.

The average daily consumption of the city is about 7,000,000 gallons and the remaining 2,000,000 gallons can be secured by filtration, which will bring it almost up to the standard of the well water when the two are intermingled.

A Happy Miss of 11 Years.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Maguire, 42 Varney street, was the scene of a very pleasant party Saturday afternoon. Their little daughter, Miss May had reached the 11th stepping stone in her young life and in observance of the event entertained a party of 75 of her young friends.

Various games were played and the little ones contributed vocal and instrumental selections. Decorating the donkey proved a delightful pastime and the prizes were won by Miss Loretto Mirault and Miss Mary Riley. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Maguire assisted by Miss Annie McMahon and Miss Tighe.

Sacred Heart Church Bazaar.

The bazaar in this parish will open in the school hall tomorrow evening by a grand concert and cantata under direction of Miss Adelaide A. Sullivan. An entertainment will be given each evening of the bazaar, with a lecture next Sunday evening by Philip J. Farley, Esq., a concert by Handley's World's Fair minstrels Thursday evening, and a New Year's carnival Jan. 2d, conducted by Misses Anna and Alice Lee.

Death of John Young.

Mr. John Young, the well known and universally well liked and respected citizen of Central street, passed away at 3.30 a. m. today, of heart trouble at his home 95 West street, Centralville. He has been ill for a week, that is to say, he had been out of the store for a week, although his trouble had been developing for some time. His death while not unexpected was not anticipated so suddenly.

Mr. Young was 54 years and nine months of age, a native of Scotland and a resident of Lowell a quarter of a century, of which time 18 years were spent at Brown Bros., on Merrimack street, and the past four years in business for himself on Central street. He is survived by a widow and five children. In Mr. Young's death the community loses a faithful citizen and one who by his happy disposition had won the highest respect of his customers as well as his competitors in business on the street. He was a Mason of a Scottish lodge but had never been demitted to a lodge of this city; also a member of the Caledonian club and a member of the First Presbyterian church.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, probably from the house, although arrangements have not been fully completed. In their sorrow, at this time of the year, when everything seems to be joyous, the sorrow will be keenly felt by Mr. Young's friends and their sympathy will go out to the widow and children in great measure.

Presentation to a Second Hand.

A very pleasant event occurred in No. 1 mill, Lawrence corporation, Saturday, as the operatives were about to leave for the winter. All gathered about Mr. Anthony Hennessey, their popular second hand and in a neat speech, Mr. Al. Thompson presented him with a costly gold watch, chain and a Christmas box and card, the gift of the operatives in that mill. Mr. Hennessey though overcome with surprise, expressed his thanks in brief remarks.

A Mackintosh Coat that fits is about as rare as a white blackbird.

When we say that our "Macks" fit as well as our overcoats, that they won't leak, or rip, or grow hard, it means that those are the most satisfactory garments of the kind ever made.

Our label on each coat is a full guarantee of its goodness.

'Round home of an evening a house coat's as comforting as a good cigar.

Ours are quiet patterns and inexpensive, $3.50 to $6.

PUTNAM & SON,

ONE-PRICE CLOTHIERS.

Central Street, Cor. Warren.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

Mrs. William Waldorf Astor died at Chreden, Eng.

Fournit beat Gallagher in the New York billiard match, 3000 to 1421.

A portion of Mrs. Hetty Green's immense estate is badly tangled.

The Gloucester (Mass.) fishing industry has not been successful this year.

F. H. Smith of Cambridge, Mass., was killed by a train at Beverly, Mass.

The capital of the Indian Head National bank, Nashua, N. H., is unimpaired.

Mark Wild predicts a fight between Knights of Labor and Federation leaders.

A Chicago alderman is alleged to have offered to sell out the entire board for $25,000.

Burglars, cornered in a train at Iowa, dropped dynamite on the track and made their escape.

S. D. Bailey, president of the Marine bank and ex-mayor of Bath, Me., died at that city, aged 69.

A man was acquitted of murder in Kansas on the ground that he acted under hypnotic influence.

Eighty workmen were discharged from a Haverhill (Mass.) shoe shop for attending a union meeting.

The death in west Africa of Rev. Dr. A. C. Flood, a well-known missionary and explorer, is announced.

Miss Brewer was arraigned at Lynn, Mass., for the murder of Gideon W. Lattimer and held without a bail.

Persons implicated by Police Captain Schmittberger of New York in his confession are under surveillance.

Ex-Bankers Charles and Frank Meadowcroft of Chicago were released from the penitentiary on a writ of supersedeas.

The Unitarian society of Manchester, N. H., voted to extend a call to Rev. Charles J. Staples of Lexington, Mass.

Mrs. Patrick Clark of New Haven, whose husband was killed while coupling cars, has brought suit to recover $5000 damages.

Mrs. Richard Ross of Rockfall, Conn., has disappeared. She has before eloped with a woman. Her husband will not now look for her.

At Ansonia, Conn., W. A. White, city editor of The Sentinel, who is slightly deaf, was knocked down by a trolley car and seriously injured.

S. K. Bailey, for 11 years superintendent of the Lippitt woolen mills in Woonsocket, R. I., has resigned that position. His son succeeds him.

Barbara Meyers, a German girl living in a Northampton (Mass.) family, tried to commit suicide by taking laudanum because of homesickness.

At Fall River, Mass., Patrick Madden, who stabbed his wife, was sentenced to a year's imprisonment in jail. The woman is recovering slowly from her wounds.

The three big bells for St. Francis church, New Haven, were blessed by Bishop Tierney of the diocese of Connecticut, assisted by a number of clergymen.

At Greenfield, Mass., an unknown man, aged about 35, was found drowned in a pool of surface water not over six inches deep. He had a whisky bottle in his pocket.

Wheatly's hop bitter ale, a beverage which has heretofore been considered a non-intoxicant, has been decided by State Chemist Smith of New Haven to be intoxicating.

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NEW MEDICAL REMEDIES.

In the progress of medical science there are new discoveries daily being announced, new remedies prescribed as superior to old after a long series of experiments. There are also new diseases for which new remedies are needed and the constant discovery of ailments formerly unknown, leads the curious or the skeptical to inquire if the doctors of the present day will not be looked upon by posterity as we look upon those of past ages, viz, as a class of men convinced that they had discovered the secrets of Nature and were masters of all the remedies for curing, so far as cure was possible, all the ills to which flesh is err. Be this as it may, it is certain that the physicians are our highest guides in medical science, and whether their remedies kill or cure we are obliged to accept them as the highest aid that human skill can give.

In old times the method of phlebotomy or blood-letting was considered a sure remedy for certain diseases and a preventive of others; but it was abandoned as a useless waste of vitality more likely to injure than to relieve. Until recently there was no such treatment as baths in fever; but now typhoid patients are given cold baths at short intervals to keep down the temperature. It is but a short time since doctors began to ascribe death to appendicitis, and now the removal of the vermiform appendage is of frequent occurrence as a means of saving the lives of patients said to be afflicted with that particular complication.

But the process of inoculation for certain diseases has proved to be the greatest departure in medical practice. Most success-fully applied as a preventive of small pox, although even in this its efficiency is questioned by some, its use is gradually extending to other diseases and may in time become a most effective preventive as well as a remedy for other dangerous diseases.

The study of bacteriology has led to many important discoveries in relation to the cause of certain diseases, and indicates in what manner they may be prevented.

It is a revelation to some to know that consumption is communicated to human beings through the milk or flesh of cows afflicted with tuberculosis or from one person to another by the sputa from the lungs. Hereditary tendencies to the disease of course are difficult to overcome, but they offer but a rich field of culture to the bacilli of the disease. So it is in many other diseases.

Diphtheria is a a dread disease, almost as bad as small pox in its fatalities, and this is now being treated by a new method, in which inoculation is the leading feature.

It is reported from the hospitals in which the new treatment has been thoroughly tried, that deaths are now scarcely half as numerous as before the anti-toxine method was tried.

It is a common law of medicine that the serum form of blood of an animal which has been rendered immune from a disease is a specific for that disease. This is so in cholera, diphtheria and tetanus. It is also said to be true of typhoid fever. Experiments have not gone far enough to determine whether this principle applies to scarlet fever.

The serum is used in the first place as a means of detecting the disease before its symptoms are outwardly developed. It thus affords a means of securing isolation before the disease spreads and also of applying timely remedies to check it.

The diphtherine or serum is made from an artificial culture or development of the diphtheria bacillus taken from the throat of a patient. This is injected into the goat or horse, both of which enjoy natural immunity from diphtheria and tuberculosis. Inoculating this animal a number of times with this culture creates an artificial immunity against diphtheria. After this is established the animal is bled and an extract of the blood is made which is found to have curative virtues for diphtheria in human beings. The portion of the blood used is the serum and the hypodermic injection of the fraction of a centimetre of this serum or diphtherine has the result, as has been shown conclusively in Paris and Berlin hospitals, of reducing the mortality in diphtheria cases by about fifty per cent. Diphtherine is also used as a preventive. For instance if a case occurs in a house all the members of the family are inoculated and the spread of the disease is stopped.

This new method of treatment was discovered by Dr. Behring of the Institute for Contagious and Infectious diseases in Berlin about three years ago and it has been used in Paris and Berlin for about two years with gratifying results.

The board of health has issued a circular to the doctors of the city offering the serum and swabs for detecting the disease. The diphtherine will probably be obtained from New York where it is being produced at considerable expense from the most healthy animals. It will be interesting to see the result of the new treatment in this city as it will be used on the first case of diphtheria that makes its appearance.

CARLISLE'S CURRENCY bill appears to be doomed to defeat the solution of the currency question is wholly a matter of business and should not be made a partisan issue. Whatever measure in the judgment of both parties is best calculated to settle the ever recurring troubles of the currency, should be passed at once. The currency should be sufficiently elastic to meet all the needs of the country and at the same time so stable that it will not jeopardize the credit of the government by depreciation. The democratic party is pledged to currency reform and should provide a basis for a paper currency outside the treasury issue. A new banking law is needed and if the democratic party lets pass the present opportunity of setting the question aright it will have added one other to its long list of egregious blunders.

IN PURCHASING Christmas presents don't forget the poor whom we have always with us. Make it a merry Christmas in every home however humble.

TIME WAS in New England when Christmas day was not observed by suspension of labor and religious services. Now the observance is general.

Christmas Again.

THROW away cares, and all live in the present:
Youngsters are flirting with laughter and noise;
Christmas indoors is remarkably pleasant—
Dance and games for the girls and the boys.
Outside the shadows are colder—'tis snowing,
Soft flakes whirl downward and drift on the plain;
Round the warm hearth, where the fire is glowing,
Old folks draw closer at Christmas again!

The head of the house, in the glow of the embers,
Stands straight as an arrow, smiling, but grand.
There is his wife, and some fifty Decembers
Leave her as lightly as waves on the sand.
She is to him still as fair as he thought her
When in her teens his allegiance he swore.
Many a son, now, and blossom checked daughter
Gather about them for Christmas once more!

Then there are neighbors and cousins and lovers;
Bertie, from college, and stroke of his crew;
Sportsmen who come with an eye on the coverts;
Maidens of beauty whose charms are not few.
Dainty Dianas of favors quite chary;
Reginald, fresh from the ranch on the plain;
Learned girl graduates, Sallie and Mary.
Meeting and greeting at Christmas again.

Still, to my fancy, the fairest of faces
Yonder is shining in silvery curls,
Framed in soft wrappers and delicate laces,
Grandmother sits in a cluster of girls,
Watching the dancers with eyes growing tender,
Clearer and dearer for long ago pain;
Holding the loving hands near to defend her,
Safe with her children at Christmas again.

I can remember when beauty by the dozen
Toasted her beauty in wit and in wine;
I, too, adored her—though I was a cousin.—
Many a sword tried its mettle with mine.
Ah, gallant company, vanished to shades!
Swept with the years till we only remain.
She is for me still the sweetest of ladies—
I, her old suitor, at Christmas again!

Madam, your hand! Though the dancers be plenty,
Let us, too, stand—not in waltz or in reel.
This was "the mode," eighteen hundred and twenty,
When it was voted as "mighty genteel."
Ah, that was dancing. Then "steps" were "de rigueur"
(Not a wild scramble, absurd and insane).
You will remember that elegant figure—
Let us walk through it at Christmas again!

Yes, that is well! Strike a statelier measure,
Fitting the snows and the honor of years.
Say, does it bring to you visions of pleasure,
Or has the music a tremor of tears?
Here let us say, Why this laughter, young misses?
"Under the mistletoe!" Zounds! then, 'tis plain,
Grandmother, blushing, must bring out these kisses
She has been keeping for Christmas again!

—Laurence Lee.

Best He Could Do.

The robber presented his glittering pistol.

"Have you a vacancy in your bookkeeping staff?" he demanded.

The president of the bank shook his head.

"Well"—

The outlaw sighed. He was palpably chagrined.

—"I'll have to be contented, then, with what cash you have on hand."

Stealing $17,418.18, he left the place.

—Detroit Tribune.

Why They Went Off.

"Are you loaded?" asked the pistol of the shotgun.

"No," said the latter; "I'm shot."

Then both exploded with laughter.—Philadelphia Call.

IT'S EASY TO GET IN, where there's a sluggish liver, for any of the germs of disease that surround you. If your liver were active and healthy, it would keep them out of your blood. You'll have to watch your liver for self-protection.

Just as soon as you see the first symptoms that it's wrong (eruptions on the skin, or a dull and worn-out feeling) you ought to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. That will start your liver into a healthy, natural action, purify your blood, too; it will brace up your whole system, and give you strength and color, and put on needed flesh—not *fat*, but wholesome, necessary flesh.

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HOW DISEASE IS SPREAD.

INSECTS PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART ACCORDING TO SCIENCE.

Story of an Interesting Crusade Against Bed Bugs Which are Called the Lodging Housekeeper's Friends—Good Health News of all Kinds.

Modern Medicine says that French sanitarians are just now considerably agitated over the question of bedbugs. Dr. Felix Bremond argued before the commission of hygiene that the bedbug is a nuisance and a cause of disease and so thoroughly convinced the commission of the correctness of his ideas that the extermination of the bedbug in infested lodging houses was ordered forthwith. But the lodging house keepers had become so much attached to the society of this cheerful pet that they entered a vigorous protest and contested the decision in the courts, with the result that the state council reversed the decision of the commission of hygiene, and thus the bugs were delivered from the imminent peril which threatened them, and the tenants of cheap lodging houses in Paris still furnish food for these hungry phlebotomists.

Drs. Bremond and De Wevere have made a careful study of the relation of bedbugs to health and have shown that this loathsome insect is a menace to health not only by reason of the loss of sleep and of blood directly attributable to its ravages, but also through its becoming the means of transmitting the microbes of tuberculosis. One case is cited in which such a communication of disease took place. A young man died of tuberculosis. Shortly afterward his brother, who occupied his bed, became infected with general tuberculosis. The physician in attendance noticed the marks of bites, examined the bugs and found that a large portion of them carried tubercular bacilli in their alimentary canals. It has long been known that flies may communicate cholera and other infections, as erysipelas and possibly yellow fever. Mosquitoes convey certain animal parasites, possibly also the parasites of malaria. It is possible that many insects may be engaged in this mischievous activity.

Cleaning the Sickroom.

A sickroom that needs cleaning may be made fresh and sweet without sweeping and without dust by wiping everything, carpet included, with a cloth wrung out of warm water in which there are a few drops of ammonia. There should be no rugs and draperies, but if there are put them on a line outdoors to air and wipe in the same way. Never dust with feather duster, which only changes the locality of the dust. There may be germs of disease even in innocent looking dust. A screen may be placed in front of the bed if the patient is nervous. Physicians say that using a kerosene lamp, with the wick turned low, causing an ill smelling gas, is sometimes the cause of diphtheria.

Relief For Tired Feet.

If people who are troubled with tired feet could know the relief that comes from the use of cushions placed in front of the table where they stand when dishes are washed or vegetables prepared, they would provide themselves with one or more of these pads at once. They may be made with several thicknesses of old cloth, bagging, carpet lining or horse blanket stitched together and covered with old carpet or drugget, the edges turned in and overhanded and the whole then tacked like a comfertable.

The Dandy Tweezers.

A pair of small steel tweezers, very inexpensive, should be in a generally known place in every house, particularly where there are children. It always makes the dreaded splinter or brier in the bare foot much more easily managed and often saves a doctor and much misery, as in case of a needle.

CONCERNING CORRESPONDENCE.

Novelties In Stationery—Fads and Fancies More or Less In Vogue.

Certain fixed rules have prevailed and are likely to prevail as regards letter writing, but no law has been laid down, even by Dame Fashion, as to what size or shape of paper and envelopes, what thickness or what color is correct. Ruruled paper is of course the only thing possible. To write with lines implies, to put it very mildly, a neglected education. The note or letter stamped with the hall mark of good breeding is generally on a medium sized cream tinted sheet absolutely without any fragrance save a very faint one of orris root.

Bright blue paper or bright purple has lately been shown at the stationers' shops, paper that will fold not into square but into oblong envelopes. It is a fancy that will not last. Crests, monograms and coats of arms are all more or less affected, but the favorite ornamentation on any paper is the address stamped at the top of the first sheet in clear, distinct letters, not script. On the envelopes there is never anything put. There was an attempt to have the address also on the back of the envelope, but tradespeople adopted the plan at once, and it was then tabooed as being too professional.

All sizes of paper ought to be kept on hand on a well appointed writing table. Letter paper of good size, note paper, medium and very small, and even a few of the cards which fit into square envelopes should be within easy reach, and there should also be some thin large paper or pads for common use. Paper is much cheaper than it used to be, so there is very little excuse for untidy letters written on half sheets and folded into envelopes that do not at all correspond in color or shape.

Writing pads are capital things to use. The finest qualities of linen paper come in these pads of the right size to go into the small square envelopes, and when there are a great many letters to be written it is much easier to write them on a pad than to sit down at a writing table to do it.

It is always rather smart looking to seal a note or letter with sealing wax. Red, black and pale blue are the best to use.

Postal cards are not in favor for correspondence. They are used only in giving orders or for business purposes.

Writing with quill pens is not so much of a fad as at one time it threatened to be, but clear, legible handwriting should be cultivated. Colored inks are not used. Jet black is decidedly the thing, according to Harper's Bazar, which is authority for the foregoing.

His Reason.

Little Willie—I was going fishing Sunday, but my papa wouldn't let me.

Rev. Dr. Saintly—That's the right kind of a papa to have. Did he tell you the reason why?

Willie—Yussir. He said there wasn't bait enough for two.—Life.

Why Shouldn't She?

He—She has very handsome teeth.

She—Why shouldn't she when her brother's a dentist?—Rogerville (Tenn.) Review.

Modified.

Mabel—Did you notice what a stone cold stare Mr. Dibbles gave us?

Ethel—Yes, but he just came from the club. He's naturally a little rocky, you know.—New York World.

SUNBEAMS.

Love Is a Pain.

"Do you think your sister will be down soon, Willie?"

"Yes; she said she was coming down as soon as she could, so as to have it over with."—Life.

He Cared.

A man knocked at the door of a house in Paulina street. When a woman came to the door, he smiled pleasantly and said:

"Madam, pardon me for intruding upon you. I wish to make an appeal to you. I am a victim of the forest fires."

"What forest fires?"

"I lived at Hinckley, and my little home was destroyed."

"Oh, yes. I know you now. Didn't I used to see you in Hinckley?"

"Why—ah—certainly you did."

"I've seen you many a time. What's your name?"

"Flanders."

"Flanders, that's it. I knew you. Did you lose your wife in the fire?"

"In the fire—you mean the forest fire? Yes, ma'am, that's when I lost her."

"I knew your wife very well."

"Yes, ma'am—is that so? You lived there, did you? Well!" He backed away from her and began to tremble. She fastened a cold, steady gaze on him.

"What became of the children?" she asked.

"I'll be going, ma'am," he said, and with that he bolted for the front gate.

"That's funny," said she as she watched him retreat down the street. "The minute you begin to back up a story for one of these fellows he gets scared and runs away."—Chicago Record.

Not a Question of Evidence.

"I'm afraid," said the rural justice, "that I shall be compelled to fine you $10 and costs."

"But, your honor, the evidence proves I am innocent."

"I know it," replied the justice; "but, my friend, I've got a family to support."—Atlanta Constitution.

Merely Down.

Their lips met.

"The goal at last," he murmured.

"Touchdown," she observed gently, correcting him in accordance with her understanding of the football terminology.—Detroit Tribune.

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SOMETHING NOTICED IN PASSING.

Several Things Which Caught the "Kicker's" Eye.

Trip for Union Men—Plutocracy's Howl Over the Strike Commissions's Report—Three Problems Discussed—Monopolis, Immigration and Illiteracy.

A recent special to the New York World from Spokane, Wash., read:

All the union men in the mines controlled by the Bunker Hill and Sullivan company at Wardner, in the Coeur d'Alene country, have quit work, and the hardest battle ever known between the miners and the mine owners is expected. The union demanded $3.50 per day for underground men, with "scab" labor barred. The situation is critical. The Populists are in control of the county.

It is a new idea to mention that a certain political party is in control where there is a labor difficulty. One isn't told in the above dispatch whether "the situation in critical" because the miners struck or because "the Populists are in control," but the inference is that the Populists are likely to sympathize with the workingmen. There is a tip in this for those union men who seem to be still blinded as to their political interests.

No one was surprised that certain plutocratic newspapers waxed wroth over the report made by the federal strike commission. Not to have ridiculed the report and vilified the commissioners would have shown such papers to be unworthy of the trust placed in them by the barons, but the fidelity of the daily press paled beside that of a weekly sheet known as The Railway Age, whose editor addressed "an open letter to the strike commission." The "open letter" frothed and snorted in a way that must have delighted the railway kings, but it doesn't appear that the commission was frightened by it. Chairman Wright has sent the chief mogul of The Railway Age a letter from which the following is taken:

Yours of the 15th, inclosing a copy of your open letter to the strike commission, was duly received. I have examined the points you attempt to make against the commission and find that every material position taken by you is false, while our own positions are in the main clearly substantiated by the evidence taken by the commission and chiefly by the sworn testimony of the railway and Pullman officials. This evidence can be freely examined by any one you see fit to send to this office, as I have an extra copy of it, or you can find a copy of it in the hands of Judge Worthington at Peoria. The testimony will be printed by order of congress, and then every one can satisfy himself as to the truth of the position taken by the commission. I believe the report of the commission to be thoroughly impersonable as to every material statement of facts.

Another of labor's Fifth avenue preacher friends has been telling New York's Four Hundred all about the "tyranny of labor." I call him labor's friend because he says, "I am in favor of labor organizations." It makes no difference that in his sermon he gave the lie to that declaration a score of times. I conclude that he was guying his aristocratic hearers, and that all that he really meant was put into his declaration in favor of unions. The New York Tribune, another and distinguished friend of labor organizations, makes room for several extracts from the sermon of Rev. Charles H. Eaton, to which I refer. One paragraph which The Tribune took pleasure in finding space for was this:

When laboring men, like other men, have learned self control a little better, there will be fewer strikes and less tyranny. Let us remember that the tyranny of labor is a greater menace to safety than the tyranny of wealth.

No danger that "us" will forget the wise utterance of Mr. Eaton. His church is located at the corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-fifth street, New York. The average "us" of that neighborhood has no fear of "the tyranny of wealth." Let us observe one of the gentleman's instances of "the tyranny of labor:"

The committee appointed by the president should have made a more adequate report in connection with the sympathetic nature of that strike and the tyranny of the American Railway union in its unjust demands. I am in favor of labor organizations, but labor unions are always guilty of tyranny when they attempt to build down instead of up.

Eaton is a friend of labor, for he himself hath said it. The good Lord save us from such friends!

The Detroit News "writes up" one of the interesting characters of the city's water front, and as I read it I am put to thinking by this paragraph:

Another remarkable thing about this strange character, almost as noticeable as his gift of naming vessels, is that he is the only man out of 100 members in Longshoremen's union No. 10 who subscribes for a labor paper. Harry Barter, president of the union, is responsible for this statement, and Harry ought to know. Mitchell pays $1 a year in advance for the Grand Rapids Workman, and he is well posted on almost all the important happenings in the field of labor, for his wife reads to him, and she says he is an attentive listener.

I say that paragraph puts me to thinking. I have published labor papers, and I have often been asked why I didn't keep at it. Read the answer in the above paragraph. All honor to Piette Mitchell, who, though he cannot read or write, supports the struggling labor press and keeps posted on labor affairs. Shame on the other 199 members of that union, and the many other unions with no better record!

JOS. R. BUCHANAN.

A Divine Discusses Monopolis, Immigration and Illiteracy.

On the subject of "America and Its Problems" the Rev. John L. Scudder, pastor of the Congregational tabernacle, Jersey City, preached a special sermon to the Junior Order of American Mechanics last Sunday. Among other things Dr. Scudder said:

We are all proud of our country, with its magnificent coast lines on the east, south and west, its gigantic lakes and majestic rivers, which carry the seaboard into the interior. What boundless territory is ours! You could put the whole of Germany or France into our state of Texas, throwing in Denmark, Belgium and Switzerland around the edges, and yet have a surplus of over 12,000 square miles. The state of California is large enough to hold the entire population of the globe and yet have only 14 persons to the acre. It has been well said that the Thames would scarcely make a gargle for the mouth of the Mississippi. We are the foremost agricultural nation of the earth. We have the most wealth. We are growing rich at the rate of several millions of dollars a day, but there are several knotty problems for us to solve, and one is that this wealth is so unevenly distributed as to cause alarm among farseeing men.

During the last 50 years there has been an increasing tendency toward the concentration of wealth in the hands of a few, and the people at large are in the power and under the heel of vast monopolies and trusts. If this evil is not checked, we shall drift fast into socialism. Whenever a monopoly becomes imperious and oppressive, the voters will combine and compel the state to do for them at a proper price what the monopoly did at an unjust price. If rapid transit companies neglect their customers, the people, through their representatives, will build rapid transit railroads of their own. If coal barons put up the price of coal unduly high and ignore the cries of the people, they will wake up some day to find that the government will condemn the coal beds of America and dig our coal for us at a reasonable price. This industrial problem growing out of the concentration of wealth is worth the study of every patriotic American.

Another problem crying for instant solution is that of immigration. If the working classes of America are to enjoy their present standard of compensation and maintain the self respect they have attained through high aspiration and general enlightenment, they must not be compelled to compete with the pauper labor of Europe and Asia through the wholesale introduction of foreigners into this country. There are no more 160 acre farms to give away to every man who knocks at our doors. We are beginning to feel the strain of unemployed labor in our large cities. We have all we can do to look after our own poor without welcoming the poor of every country on the earth. We have enough discontent here without importing anarchists and criminals from abroad to aggravate what already exists. This idea that America is the asylum for the offscourings of the earth is worn out. Let them go to Africa for the next half century. They are needed over there.

Another problem is how to overcome the illiteracy existing among so many of the people and make them fit to vote and play the part of intelligent citizenship. Our system of education is wholly inadequate to the public need. We claim to be an enlightened nation, and yet 5,000,000 people in these United States cannot write their names. Many children are in the factories and stores who ought to be in the schools, and many children are knocking at the schoolhouse door and cannot gain admittance. The greatest danger to our republic is the illiterate voter, who is a most incongruous product in a land of light and liberty. My firm conviction is that no man should cast his ballot who cannot read the constitution of the United States and understand what he is reading.

Jersey's Labor Programme.

The New Jersey Federation of Trades has mapped out the following legislative programme:

An amendment to the constitution providing for direct legislation.

An eight hour workday for all state, county and city employees.

A bill providing for a fair paid up or surrender value upon every industrial insurance policy held in New Jersey the premiums upon which have been paid for a period of one year.

A bill for the weekly payment of wages by manufacturing, mining and mercantile establishments.

A bill for the examination and licensing of stationary engineers.

A bill making it unlawful for companies operating railroads for public use, in the conveyance of persons and property, to employ any person who has not attained the age of 20 years to receive or transmit dispatches or train orders governing the movement of trains, and every person so employed shall have had at least one year's practical experience as a railroad telegraph operator.

A bill providing for the observance of legal holidays.

A bill granting additional power, through the courts, to the state board of arbitration, enabling the board to compel witnesses to testify before it.

A bill for the better protection of the journeymen printers of New Jersey in the distribution of official state printing and advertising.

A bill making it unlawful to retain wages due employees.

A bill making it unlawful for Pullman cars to sell liquor without license.

First Suit of the Kind.

A bill in equity has been filed in a Pittsburg court by President M. M. Garland and Secretary J. C. Kilgallon of the Amalgamated association against President W. C. Croonemeyer and Secretary John Jarrett of the Tinned Plate Manufacturers' association and the United States Iron and Tin Plate Manufacturing company for an injunction restraining the defendants from operating the Demmler Tin Plate works at lower wages than those named in the wage scale of the Tin Plate Workers and asking that this contract between the workers and the manufacturers be declared in force.

This is the first of the kind ever filed and will test the validity of a wage scale. A few weeks ago the Demmler plant started up nonunion, the union men refusing to take a reduction in wages, but insisting upon the contract existing between the mill owners and the union.

BEER AND POLITICS.

They Are Discussed Entertainingly by Brooklyn Sugar Trust Employees.

The other evening I wandered in the direction of Kent avenue, Brooklyn, and went into one of the "beeveries," and sitting down at a table called for a glass of beer.

There were half a dozen men at the next table engaged in a heated argument. Four of them were Irish, one was a Swede and the other a German.

They were evidently employees of the sugar house and were discussing politics and the reason for the great Republican victory and its effect on business.

One of the Irishmen, who had a high voice and a fringe of County Antrim whiskers, had the floor and was evidently finishing up his side of the argument.

"I tell ye, min," he said, "there's no use in talkin, but politics is a quare game. This time two years ago the bosses towld us that if Cleveland an all the other Dimocrats didn't get in the sugar busiuess 'ad go to smash an we'd all be loft high an dhry. Well, the Dimocrats got in, an phwhat was the result—the sugar bosses formed a thrust for the purpose o' lowerin wages an risin the price o' sugar at the same time, an phwhin the min struck the bosses towld thim they c'n'd go to the divil. Phwhin election time kem round this year, they shut down an towld the min that the uncertainty o' the election med thim uneasy, an if the Republican party wasn't successful perhaps the refineries would niver be able to resume. So the hands all voted the bosses' way, an, lo an behold yel the day afther election the refineries started up, an they've been runnin on full time iver since. Phwhat I can't understand is phwhy the success o' the Dimocratic party saved the sugar business this time two years ago, an phwhy the success o' the Republicans this year has accomplished the same thing." [The trust has since shut down all its refineries.]

"Well," said the Swede, seeing a chance to slip a word in edgeways, "yow doan' bane werry smart if yow doan' know about dese tings. Et's de tariff what makes everytang go up an down, yust like seesaw. Some time dey put tariff on sugar; den she gow up. Den dey took off tariff, an she gow down. Dat's all dere is tow it."

"Allow me to differ wid ye," said one of the other Irishmen, who had a rather intelligent face. "It ain't either the parties or politics or the tariff that's to blame for the state o' things at the present time. I believe wid Henry George that the condition of the laboring man will niver improve as long as the prevailing system of taxation remains in foorce. As long as the unearned increment is allowed to shwell the coffers of the rich, so long will the poor have to grovel in the dirt. Political parties may come an go. They may tinker wid the tariff from now till kingdom come, but there will be no change for the bether until the single tax is adopted. Phwhy should some human bein's be compelled to work in a place as hot as the hinges o' hell ivery day for 12 hours at a shretch for a few dollars a week in order that other human bein's may roll in the lap o' luxury? I tell ye, fellows, ivery dhrop o' sweat that rolls from the bodies of the workmin in that refinery is helpin to form a flood of rivolution tha'll sweat thim thrusts an things off the face o' the earth. Mark my words!"

The George theorist emptied his glass at this point, and so did the others. The beer seemed to have a quieting effect on them, for after a few grunts by the German and a few hems and haws by the other Irishmen and a severe wrinkling of the brow by the Swede, who was evidently trying to think of some argument that would knock out the disciple of Henry George, one of the men called to the bartender to fill the schooners and bring two packs of cards, and in a few minutes the whole crowd was absorbed in a game of penuchle.—New York Herald.

The Perceutage of Wrongdoers.

I crossed on one of the big Atlantic liners lately with 500 other saloon passengers. They were naturally people of intelligence and presumably of easy circumstances. Yet at least half of those people were planning to rob our government of money by contriving plans to avoid paying duties truly owed. To do this all of them had to break our laws, and in most cases had in addition to lie deliberately.

Many of them were planning to accomplish this theft by the bribery of the custom house inspectors, thus not merely making themselves thieves, but bribing other men to do wrong. In this city I can show you blocks so densely inhabited that they are an election district themselves. Blocks in which 20 people live and sleep in a single room year after year, where the birth of a little life into the world means that all must eat less and be less warm. But I cannot find in the poorest and vilest parts of the city any block where the percentage of liars and thieves and bribe givers is as large as was that among the first class passengers of that floating palace. Each condition of society has its own misdoings, and I believe varies little in the percentage of wrongdoers to the whole.—From "The Honorable Peter Sterling," P. L. Ford.

The Modern Slavery.

I now invite attention to another form of slavery far safer, far better and more comprehensive for the masters, but less merciful to the slaves. It is bond slavery, or "bondage," and may be illustrated by actual facts now transpiring in many parts of the world. It is a refined system, popular with civilized nations, as much superior to chattel slavery in its financial results as the railroad is to the wheelbarrow in matters of transportation. It annually yields millions and billions to the masters, with the minimum of financial or personal risk, while it enslaves whole nations, reaping the profits as states and empires as fast as the crops can grow or the profits of labor can be molded into valuable form.—John Davis, M. C.

Gompers and Voorhees.

Samuel Gompers met Theodore Voorhees, vice president of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, on the platform at Montclair, N. J., the other night, and the two told of strikes from different points of view. The meeting was under the auspices of the Montclair Outlook club.

HUNDRED KILLED

Seafaring Men Perish in a Gale.

MANY TOWNS BADLY DAMAGED BY FLOODS

In Many Parts of Holland and Germany.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Reports received from various parts of Great Britain show that the gale is abating. The storm raged with the greatest fury all day Saturday. Telegraphic communication with Scotland is completely interrupted, while the wires to the midland counties and Ireland are more or less damaged.

There is hardly a town of any size but reports personal casualities and loss of property. Manufacturing towns in the north and west suffered badly. Roofs were torn off and chimney stacks collapsed, crashing through adjoining buildings and killing and injuring a number of working people. In many places the residents were afraid to venture in the streets during the prevalence of the storm.

A number of fishing boats are missing. Three boats were swamped off Stornoway, and their 22 occupants drowned.

Much damage was done to houses in Dublin and the suburbs of that city. People in the Donegal hills are reported to be suffering terribly, their cottages

Being Wrecked and Flooded.

The ships America and Tamure Marshall went ashore near Greenock. The Arklow, for Ship Island, was driven ashore in Scalpsie bay, Bute, and has nine feet of water in her hold. It is expected that she will be a total loss.

All around the coast vessels are reported to be stranded or in the greatest danger. The ship Kirkmichael was wrecked off Holyhead and five of her crew were drowned. The other six men aboard her were rescued with much difficulty.

The four-master County of Kinross, for Hartlepool, was seen off that port lying on her beam ends and apparently sinking. Her crew were gathered in the stern with life belts on.

The exact number of deaths is unknown, but it is expected that the list will not be much less than 100.

The American ship Kennebec, from Port Blakeley, which had discharged her cargo at Belfast, broke adrift, and sunk a tug and damaged another vessel.

The Storm In Holland.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24.—Heavy floods have been caused by the storm in Holland. The rivers Maas and Rotte rose 12 feet, inundating parts of Rotterdam. Boats were used in the streets and in the market places. In several places the water succeeded in breaking through dykes, and the country in the vicinity of the breaks was flooded. Nine houses collapsed. At Utrecht several persons were drowned by the capsizing of a boat. Telegraphs and telephone wires were everywhere broken. The bark Caroline went ashore near Egmond-Aan-Zee. Part of her crew were drowned.

Belgian Villages Flooded.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—The storm has caused much damage throughout Belgium. Many of the Belgian fishing fleet are missing. The town of Dendermonde was inundated by the overflowing of the Dender river. The inhabitants were aroused by the tocsin and escaped, but the property loss is great. The villages of Audenn, Denderville, Mespelaere, Appels and Baesrede were also inundated.

Hamburg's Flood.

HAMBURG, Dec. 24.—The river Elbe has overflowed its banks and inundated the lower portion of the town. The water is so deep in these sections of the city that tramcars are unable to run.

The Armenian Commission.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 24.—The porte has agreed to instruct the foreign delegates who will accompany the Armenian commission that they are empowered to personally examine witnesses. Abdullah Pasha has withdrawn from the presidency of the commission at the last moment, and has been replaced by two officials from the ministry of justice. Abdullah's recall is supposed to be due to representations that he is inferior in rank to Zedki Pasha, who, as responsible for the troops, it is alleged, that committed the atrocities, will have to be examined.

British Scheming.

ACAPULCO, Dec. 24.—The extended stay in this harbor of four British cruisers is a matter of much speculation as to the plans of England. The most generally accepted belief is that these cruisers have designs in connection with the present dispute over the boundary between Mexico and Guatemala. The attitude of the United States in the event of meddling on the part of England is also a matter being discussed.

Churchill Is Worse.

MARSEILLES, Dec. 24.—Lord Randolph Churchill has become worse since his arrival here. Symptoms of locomotor ataxy have appeared. Nevertheless, he was determined to proceed to London, and, accompanied by his wife and physicians, he started for Paris last night.

Czar's Envoy at Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—General Tscherkoff, who was sent as special envoy to announce the accession of Czar Nicholas to Russia's throne, arrived here yesterday. He was received with military honors. Thirty thousand persons heartily cheered the general.

A Monarch's Clemency.

WARSAW, Dec. 24.—The czar has ordered the immediate release of the prisoners connected with the disturbances due to the populace opposing the closing of the church at Kroce, which led excesses on the part of the Cossacks.

The Dread Cholera.

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 24.—Several cases of cholera are reported in Rosario. Great precautions have been taked to prevent the spread of the disease.

Signs of Progress.

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The Corean government has agreed to open to foreign trade two additional ports, Kokogo in the province of Chollado and Chiunampo on the Tatung river.

Outlawry Rampant.

OAXACA, Mex., Dec. 24.—There is such a disturbed condition of affairs on the frontier that the farms and ranches are being abandoned and the people are seeking places of safety from the depredation and crimes that are being constantly committed by the bandits and outlaws who follow in the wake of the soldiers.

Burned Over Large Area.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 24.—Fire at the village of Watsontown destroyed the opera house, four dwellings, a large livery stable, a general store and many outbuildings. Loss, $50,000.

SISTER NURSING HIM.

Leader of the Notorious Cook Gang Dying From Bullet Wounds.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 24.—A special from Muskogee says that Bill Cook, the outlaw, is said to be lying at the point of death in the fastness of the Indian country, between this place and Fort Gibson. His sister Lou has reached there and is nursing him.

BILL COOK.

He is suffering from two wounds, and the deputy marshals have traced him by castaway bloody bandages. They are now within 24 miles of the dying bandit, and when they arrive trouble is expected, as Cook is in the midst of a strong force of his half-breed sympathizers.

Cherokee Bill was also wounded in the hip, and both were carried over 30 miles on litters by their friends.

Killed His Nephew.

WATERBURY, Conn., Dec. 24.—John P. Byrnes, aged 26 years, was fatally stabbed yesterday by his uncle, William T. Byrnes, aged 35 years. Byrnes at first denied having committed the murder, but afterward he confessed, saying that he acted in self-defense. John had charged William with owing him money, and struck him in the face. William pulled out a common clasp knife with two blades and struck John directly over the heart, the point of the knife piercing the apex of the heart. William is overcome with grief.

A Maine Camp Tragedy.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 24.—Camelia Nashua and Charles Langley were murdered in a camp in Millinocket yesterday. It is supposed that the murders were committed by Joseph and Newell Gabriel, Indians, who belong in Oldtown. The murdered men, it is understood, had been hunting, and the supposition is that the Indians, who were their guides, killed them for the purpose of robbery. The Indians were captured by the lumbering crew and are now held prisoners at the lumber camp.

Unfortunate Seamen.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 24.—The crew of the whaling ship Agate, who were shipped to New York Friday, to be taken charge of by the Spanish consul, were returned by him to New Bedford. As they entered the country under the American flag, they will be obliged to return under the same flag. They are now thrown upon the city, and it is believed they will finally be sent to the state almshouse. They are unable to go coasting, as they suffer intensely from the cold climate.

Bonacum's Triumph.

OMAHA, Dec. 24.—The priests of the Lincoln, diocese, who have been fighting Bishop Bonacum for two years, have surrendered. They admit that the bishop has won, and if he has not been sustained at Rome by the diplomacy of Mgr. Satolli, he left them no chance but to seek employment elsewhere. Father English, the tenth priest to quit the Bonacum diocese, came to Omaha yesterday, and now has charge of a parish in the city.

Determined to Remain Out.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 24.—A meeting of the operatives of the hosiery mill at Thornton was held last evening, and it was decided that there was no immediate prospect for an end of the lockout. The men remained firm in their refusal to return to work for less than the present schedule rate, and it was asserted that fully 20 would return to England rather than surrender.

All Died the Same Way.

DANVILLE, Ky., Dec. 24. — Micajah Rowsey, a desperado, was killed at Junction City by Town Marshal Ellis, whom he resisted. Rowsey was the last of a family of seven sons, all of whom died with their boots on.

Little Ones Perished.

TOLEDO, Dec. 24.—Charles Clarke and wife went out to do their Christmas shopping, leaving their two children, aged 4 and 6, in bed. A fire broke out, and the children were smothered to death by smoke.

Attributed to Incendiaries.

TONAWANDA, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Fire in the lumber yards of A. Weston & Son destroyed 3,000,000 feet of lumber valued at over $150,000. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

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SUN RISES	7 12	MOON RISES	5 11 AM
SUN SETS	4 11	FULL SEA	9 15 AM
LENGTH OF DAY	9 00		10 00 PM

For Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont: Fair; warmer; north winds, becoming south.

For Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut: Fair; northeast winds.

LOCAL NEWS.

Merry Christmas to every SUN reader.

Land in Pawtucketville has taken a boom.

As a general rule the stores will close tomorrow.

Today is a fast day, being the vigil of the feast of Christmas.

Open all day tomorrow. The Golden Sheaf, 55 Middle street.

One Merrimack street store had a record for a day's sales of $7599, the past week.

Miss Mary Gertrude McKenzie will read at Newton Highlands at an entertainment tomorrow evening.

You can get some nice articles at J. J. Gagnon & Co's, 35 Prescott street, for Christmas presents.

John J. Hart of the L. A. A., has been chosen vice president of the Mass. Cricket association and J. H. Comber, a director.

There will be good skating for Christmas out on Tyng's pond. The river will hardly be safe enough except inshore or in protected places.

The Cunard company says that it has taken more steerage passengers out of this country than it has brought to these shores during the past year.

The Ambulance Corps and Cadets play at basket ball at the armory tonight.

The Mathew Temperance Institute will hold a smoke talk, January 8.

Wished all a Merry Christmas.

The Central Labor union did not meet yesterday as no quorum was present. Before leaving the hall, the secretary took the names of four delegates from Textile union No. 79.

Conducted Their First Masses.

Rev. Fr. Murphy who was ordained Friday, celebrated his first mass at 9 o'clock yesterday morning in the Immaculate Conception church. The church was crowded with friends of the young priest. Fr. Costello celebrated mass in the chapel of the hospital. Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., served at both masses.

Excelsior Lodge, K. of H.

The lodge has elected the following officers: Dictator, H. O. Ham; vice dictator, E. D. Robinson; assistant dictator, O. Robinson; reporter, Frank M. Merrill; financial reporter, Geo. W. Patten; treasurer, F. W. Cragin; guide, Geo. H. Tryder; guardian, F. U. Haskell; sentinel, Ashman Stoddard; trustees, C. P. Conant, E. H. Cook, G. H. Tryder; representative, G. W. Patten; alternate, Zachariah Shore.

Installation of Officers.

Merrimack Valley lodge, M. U. O. F. held a pleasant entertainment in Manchester Unity hall, Saturday evening. The program was as follows; Piano solo, F. Wilkinson; song, M. Gorman; reading, Miss K. Young; bells, Mr. Williams; song, F. Wilkinson; reading, Miss A. Young, song, S. Blackburn; feats of tumbling, Berard and Wilson; song, J. Harrison; recitation, F. J. Boyle; song, J. H. Mullen; autoharp solo, D. Firth; song, M. Gorman; concertina solo, Thomas Jeffreys; reading, L. Fralinx.

The final number was a laughable farce entitled "Irish Justice.

St. Michael's School Festival.

The Christmas entertainment at St. Michael's school took place Friday in the school hall, which was tastefully decorated with evergreens and holly. The children were very happy. Father O'Brien occupied the most prominent place on the stage. A visiting priest, Father Carroll, also was present:

Program.

Christmas Bells.....School
The Dollies Christmas.....Wee Girls
Christmas Carol.....Lydia Wood
Little Froggies' Song.....Girls
Base Ball Enthusiast, Dialogue.
John Quinn, W. Foye, T. Slowey.
Bessie's Dream.....Concert Recitation
Sleigh ride, Song.....Boys
The Secret, Dialogue.
M. Leary E. Thompson, A. McEvoy.
Choice of professions.....Wee Boys
Recitation.....A. Slowey
Santa Claus, Song.....Little Girls
Miles from Dublin, Recitation.....Johnna Tarpey
Scene from World's Fair.....K. McDonough
Adeste Fideles.....School

At the conclusion of the entertainment Rev. Fr. O'Brien expressed himself well pleased and thanked the good sisters for their untiring labor in the school. The children were then regaled with a treat of candy and other good things that belong to Christmas time.

POLICE NOTES.

As a lady was passing Maiden lane on Merrimack street, Saturday, her pocketbook was snatched by a nimble young thief who escaped through Market street. The case was reported to the police and Edward F. Maguire, 15 years of age, residing with his mother on Lewis street was suspected. He was arrested by Sergt. Kew and Officer Maguire, and when locked up confessed the theft. Capt. Moffatt and Sergt. Kew went to the house and found the pocketbook in the stove and the money under the tick. It is thought Maguire stole pocketbooks on Bridge street.

William Dunn was arrested Saturday night while in the act of stealing two herrings from Bloxom's fish market. He is charged with stealing two dead herrings valued at one cent, but is held upon the presumption that he is guilty of previous thefts.

Eugene Carty of Dunstable and Clifton Dawes of Tyngsboro, drove to the city, Saturday to see the sights. Both obtained jags and they drove up against an electric car on Central street near Middle street. The collision separated the horse from the wagon but the animal being sober didn't run away. Both men were arrested. Carter couldn't walk but Dawes was sober enough to haul the wagon to the police station where he was locked up.

Little Ones Burned.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 24.—A fire occurred last night in the flat at 209 South street, occupied by Charles Cornwall. Both Mr. Cornwall and his wife were away from home at the time, three children being left behind. In some unaccountable way the fire started, and two of the children were quite badly burned before being rescued. No one knew that another child was missing, but after the fire was extinguished the charred remains were found.

Judge Found Probable Cause.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24.—The preliminary hearing in the Gorham murder case concluded in the finding of "probable cause" against James Lewis, alias James Lewis Welch. Lewis was committed without bail to await the action of the grand jury. J. A. Coleman was put under $1000 sureties and Edward Graffam under $2000 to appear as witnesses before the grand jury. They were unable to get bail.

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Wall paper at 18 Church street.

The mills will shut down tomorrow.

T. C. Lee, Fire Insurance, Donovan Bl'dg.

Mr. James Abbott is at home from Harvard.

C. J. Cheney, Jr., will be a candidate for superintendent of streets.

Will N. Shaw and T. B. Hustwick are at home from New York for the holiday.

The streets were never more crowded than on Saturday afternoon and evening.

Mayor-elect Courtney has been honored by having an original poem dedicated to him.

E. A. Wilson, coal dealer, is selling coal at lowest cash prices; call at 51 Merrimack street.

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Catholic Prayer Books.

A large assortment of the latest and finest bindings, pearl rosaries, pearl cases and statuary, appropriate for presents to lady or gentleman, at Murphy's, 18 Appleton street.

To Redistrict the City.

A republican councilman-elect has in preparation a resolution which he proposes to introduce early in the year, when the council is organized, calling for the redistricting of the city into nine wards, and the election of three councilmen from each ward and nine ward aldermen.

The City's Health Last Week.

The weekly report of the board of health shows 33 deaths out of a population rated at 90,613. Typhoid fever was the cause of one death, scarlet fever 2, and acute lung disease 1. Thirteen deaths were of children under five years of age.

During the week there were reported 7 cases of scarlet fever, 4 of typhoid, 2 of diphtheria and 1 of measles.

Elections in the Mathews.

The semi-annual election of officers of the Mathew Temperance Institute was held yesterday morning. Many members were present, and there was considerable enthusiasm manifested over the result of the contests. The officers chosen are: President, Walter V. Hickey; vice president, James T. Dunfey; recording secretary, Cornelius Hickey; financial secretary, Patrick S. Kane; treasurer, James J. Conlan; spiritual director, Rev. Thomas F. McManus; board of trustees, William Boyle, John J. Cody and Frank McLaughlin; board of examiners, Patrick O'Neil, Frank Riley and George Doran; literary committee, John Lonergan, William McAloon and Peter Brady.

Four propositions for membership were received.

CHRISTMAS THEATRICALS.

At the Opera house Annie Ward Tiffany the favorite actress in the role of Lady Blarney will be seen afternoon and evening and we can truly say, judging from her fine performances in the past that a better holiday attraction will be hard to find. Those who have seen her Peggy Logan, will see even a more unique character as Lady Blarney.

Miss Marie Burroughs.

You should not delay in getting seats for Wednesday night, with Marie Burroughs in The Profligate the season's success. The entire company comes here from the Boston engagement.

Stoddard on Norway.

Thursday evening, Mr. Stoddard will present Norway and the land of the Midnight Sun in his course.

OVER THE VETO.

Passed the Moody Street Bridge Resolution on the Part of the Council.

The common council following the example of the board of aldermen passed the Moody street bridge resolution over the mayor's veto and did it in quick order that gave a fine finish to the business.

Twenty three members were present at Saturday evening's special meeting, Councilman Mansfield being the absentee.

It took President Sparks some time to read the resolution and the veto and when he concluded he called for a vote on the passage of the resolution notwithstanding the veto and he got the vote. Twenty-one members voted in favor of its passage and Councilman O'Connor and Tryder alone voted in the negative.

The council then adjourned.

GEORGE W. McALOON DEAD.

Injuries Received in a Runaway Accident Proved Fatal.

George W. McAloon, who was thrown from a carriage in a runaway accident on Coburn street, Monday evening, Dec. 10, died at St. John's hospital, at 10.45, Saturday night, as the result of the injuries received at the time of the accident.

He was unconscious for several days previous to his death and early in the week the attending physicians expressed an opinion that he could not recover. Saturday noon the physicians said he could not live through the day and that night his brothers and sister were notified that his death was expected at any moment. He lingered along, however, till 10.45 and then passed away, only a few friends and his brothers being present at his bedside.

Mr. McAloon was 29 years of age, and was employed as a Brussels weaver by the Lowell Manufacturing company. For many years he was a prominent member of Court Merrimack, A. O. F. of A., and also the Brussels Weavers' union. He had many friends who will be grieved to learn of his death.

He leaves four brothers, Charles H., John B., William F., and Fred, the last three employes of the Carpet company and members of the Mathew Temperance Institute and one sister. Funeral at 2.30 Tuesday afternoon from the residence on Jewett street.

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CHINESE ROUTED

Ten Thousand Chinese Flee Before Japs.

NEWSPAPER ADVICES FROM JAPAN GIVE DETAILS.

It Was a Chinese Hand to Hand Fight.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 24.—General Kasura on Dec. 19 attacked General Lung's position seven miles west of Hatti-Cheng. The position was defended by 10,000 Chinese, who were routed after four assaults.

A dispatch from Antonhg says that the Japanese force consisted of four regiments of infantry and five batteries of artillery. The latter bombarded the Chinese, who had established themselves in the village of Kung-Wasni. The infantry then thrice charged the Chinese lines. The fighting was stubborn, the combatants meeting hand-to-hand. The fight was the fiercest that has yet taken place. The Chinese loss is estimated at 550 killed or wounded. The Japanese also suffered severely.

A dispatch from Kobe says that thousands of Tonghaks defeated the Corean garrison of 800 soldiers at Chailudo, and then burned the houses. The inhabitants of the town fled. It is reported that a number of Chinese were among the Tonghaks.

Japanese Press Discussing Terms of Peace.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Recent newspaper advices received here from Japan show that the question of the terms of peace that Japan will demand from China is a fruitful subject of discussion by the native press. Opinions, however, differ regarding those terms, and while some journals content themselves with speaking generally on the subject, others are more specific in their demands.

One paper asserts that Formosa, important from a commercial and military point of view, must at all events be taken. After detailing what an immense expenditure must be incurred by Japan in supporting Corea and protecting Japanese interests in the north of China following the war, the paper declares that Formosa will have to be annexed as a resource from which to draw receipts at least equal to these prospective expenditures.

Another paper enters a strong protest against the claims advanced that China must surrender territory entirely out of proportion to the objects for which the war was undertaken.

Assuming that the war is practically over, the Japanese are already discussing the matter of Japan's prospects thereafter. Mr. Kaneko, the vice minister of state for agriculture and commerce, has been looking into the history of the United States after the great civil war and to that of Germany after the Franco-Prussian war for light on the subject, and the Noshomusho has been holding consultations about the matter for some time, but the investigations are far from concluded. The vice minister is personally of the opinion that the extension of facilities for direct exportation is of the greatest importance.

Complications In Corea.

According to a Seoul correspondent, affairs are again becoming serious in Corea, where there is trouble, in which Tai Won Kun, who is understood here to be practically prime minister, is involved. It had its origin in the surrender of Li Heiki, a favorite of Tai Won Kun, to the Corean police, in whose custody he is now held.

Li Heiki, it appears, took part in all the deliberations of the faction headed by the aged statesman, and is therefore acquainted with its secrets. Shortly afterwards he was made a police official, and had frequent occasions to meet members of the Japanese police now in the capital. Intercourse with the latter gave him an insight into the real intentions entertained toward Corea by Japan.

Thus newly enlightened, says the correspondent, his hatred of the crooked artifices and ignorant devices of the faction with which he had been connected grew intense, and conscience finally drove him drove him to confess to the police officials what he knew of the faction's doings. He was placed in confinement and, although implored by several of the parties against whom he had informed not to confess, he made a clean breast of all he knew and had done.

Some objections were made by the Corean government to the demands of the Japanese minister, Count Inouye, for the examination of witnesses implicated in the affair, the Coreans asserting that such proceedings would be contrary to the time-honored usage of the country. The result of this collision between Count Inouye and the Corean government was not clearly known at the time the correspondent wrote.

Important Chinese Dispatches Captured.

Letters, by means of which the faction instigated the Tonghak insurgents, together with other documents bearing on the same point, and secret dispatches sent by Tai Won Kun to the Chinese generals in the Phyong-Yang, have all fallen into the hands of the Japanese authorities, and the sinister project of the old gentleman and his followers against Japan, the correspondent adds, is now an open secret.

Since these events transpired, news has come to the United States by telegraph to the effect that the Japanese government has "dispensed with the services of Tai Won Kun," and the natural presumption is that this action was the result of the occurrences referred to.

Factional strife in the Corean court is said by another paper to be the prime cause of all the evils now hampering the country's progress along the path of reform. Lately, another bone of contention has been superadded to accentuate the political confusion already existing in the field of politics. It is a question relating to the parentage of prominent members of the government, and the present trouble had its origin in the old-time Corean system of concubinage.

The Price of War.

A Japanese paper gives a summary of the losses of the Japanese and Chinese armies up to Nov. 23, exclusive of the battles at Fung-Wang-Chang, Kinchan, Talien-Wan and at Port Arthur. It shows that the Japanese lost about 330 killed and 835 wounded, while the Chinese lost 4800 killed and 4500 wounded, and 1018 of them were made captives, making a total of 10,948.

The Chinese have also had 211 cannon taken away from them, 4865 rifles, 36,984 cannon shot, 43,040,650 cartridges, beside enough ammunition to last a month, firing with 20,000 rifles; 533 banners have been taken, 3400 tents, 1030 horses, 3,000,000 taels' worth of gold and silver, 111,000 mace coins, 2418 koku of rice, 5755 koku of unhulled rice, and in addition sufficient food to last an army of 20,000 men three days.

The Chinese have lost 13 vessels, a torpedo boat, five men-of-war sunk, and one of their war vessels captured, which makes a total tonnage of 9850 tons. The number of killed and wounded on the Japanese side is estimated at over 400, while those of the enemy is estimated at nine times that number.

WIND STARTED CAR.

Express Train Dashed Into It and Thirteen Lives Were Lost.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Manchester express, on the London and Northwestern railway, which was wrecked at Chelford Saturday night, consisted of two engines and 10 cars. A number of freight cars were being shunted near Chelford, when the wind started one of them back on the rails. A runaway car was driven slantwise across the main line just as the express approached.

The brakes of the express were applied and the engines reversed, but the momentum of the heavy train was so great that its speed was not quickly checked. The engines and three cars got clear before the freight struck the express. The cars which were hit by the freight were completely smashed, while those following were derailed and partially shattered.

The scene was a horrible one, the uninjured passengers screaming, the wounded groaning and the guards and porters shouting for assistance. Those passengers who had not been hurt formed a relief party. Thirteen bodies were taken out of the wreck, some of them badly mutilated. The injured numbered over 50.

Result of a Drunken Quarrel.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 24.—George Rusby, 60 years old, is locked up, charged with murdering his wife, Amelia, aged 49. The affair occurred on Tenth street, and was the result of a drunken quarrel, in which Rusby threw a lighted lamp at the woman. The lamp broke, and the oil and flames enwrapped her instantly. Mrs. Rusby received injuries from which she died. Rusby says she tipped the lamp over, but the woman in her dying statement to the police said he threw the lamp at her.

Louisiana Justice.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—George King, a desperate negro, was lynched at a slaughter house last evening. He had a difficulty with some butchers, and went off and got a shotgun. Constable Guerre tried to arrest him, and the negro escaped to a barn from which he fired into the crowd, wounding half a dozen persons. The barn was burned down and the negro forced into the open, where he was shot and then dragged to a tree and hanged.

Bad Gang Captured.

ERIE, Pa., Dec. 24.—The ringleaders in the gang of masked burglars, who a week ago beat and bound and at the point of torture secured the $10,000 which David and Sarah Slocum had laid up for a rainy day, have been captured. They are Frank Anderson, Ralph Van Assler and Jeremiah Casey. Casey's fondness for his cups loosened his tongue and gave the scent which resulted in the capture of the gang.

Holiday Till Jan. 3.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Congress adjourned Saturday until Jan. 3 without having accomplished anything. A feeble protest was made by Senator George of taking a recess, when there was so much that ought to be done, but, realizing that there was no intention on the part of the managers of the senate to let any of this work be done, he withdrew even this remonstrance.

Eastern Capital In the Northwest.

CHEYENNE, Wy., Dec. 24.—A syndicate of eastern capitalists have organized two large companies with a capital of $500,000. The Aladdin Coal company will develop coal properties in this state and the Southeastern Coal company is to construct and operate a railroad from the coal fields through South Dakota to a point on the Missouri river.

Killed In Own Home.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 24.—George Whittington, colored, was found dead yesterday at his hut near Collingswood. There is a bullet wound in his groin and he had bled to death. Three men and two women, who were also occupants of the house, have been arrested on suspicion of having murdered Whittington.

The President's Return.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Cleveland and his party of duck hunters returned to the city yesterday. The president looks well, his rheumatism having been much benefited by the trip. Altogether the party killed about 300 ducks, the president being responsible for more than half of them.

Couldn't Crack the Safe.

CONTOOCOOK, N. H., Dec. 24.—Burglars entered the store of William E. Mudgett and stole a large quantity of goods. The safe was badly hammered, but the thieves failed to get it open. A horse and wagon were stolen from Nahum Whittier, six miles from here.

Case Dismissed.

ALBANY, Dec. 24.—A supervisor made the charges that District Attorney Kelly had neglected his duty. The governor appointed W. H. Henderson to take the evidence, and as referee he finds that the charges were unfounded. Governor Flower therefore dismisses the case.

Probably a Murder.

STRAGUSE, Dec. 24.—The body of Matthew Fulton, a fireman, was found yesterday beside railroad tracks in the Sand Hill district. A large gash was in Fulton's head and his pockets were empty. It is thought that Fulton was murdered.

Prominent Scientist Dead.

SALEM, Mass., Dec. 24.—Charles Tappan, a prominent chemist, died here yesterday at the age of 71 years. He was the inventor of a process for bleaching new flax so the fiber could be worked direct, and also an electrician of considerable note.

Must Toe the Mark.

TRENTON, Dec. 24.—The big western oleomargarine dealers have made this state their chief distribution center. They are not complying with the state laws, and a large number of firms are to be prosecuted for evasion.

Work Is Dull.

CHEYENNE, Wy., Dec. 24.—An order has been received to close the Union Pacific shops in this city indefinitely at the end of this month. Only about 80 men will be employed here.

Took Suits Them.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The Armenians throughout the state are very much pleased with the proposal that the Duke of Teck be appointed protector of Armenia. The United Friends of Armenia have received letters from Lynn, Lawrence and Worcester endorsing the proposal.

Another Cashier Gone Wrong.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Harold G. Butt, cashier of Hammerslough Bros., clothiers, is charged with embezzling $16,000 of that firm's money. Butt, it is said, systematically altered the books. He pleaded not guilty, and was held in default of $5000 bail for examination.

He Was Discouraged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Despondency, caused by approaching blindness, caused Jacob F. D. Solis, a lawyer, to commit suicide by shooting. He was 41 years old.

RACE WAR FEARS

Seven Negroes Killed to Avenge Georgia Farmer.

MOBS ARMED TO THE TEETH FOR VENGEANCE.

The Blacks Have Planned Wholesale Murder.

QUITMAN, Ga., Dec. 24.—With seven negroes dead and armed mobs of whites and blacks in near proximity to each other, the outlook for a race war in this county is startling in its certainty. The excitement is the result of the murder of Mr. Joseph Isom, a farmer. Seven negro lives were taken Saturday and Saturday night to pay the penalty, and this seems to be only the beginning of the end.

It had been discovered that a number of negroes had conspired to kill every man in the posse that arrested Jerry Jeffreth, for the killing of T. Moulden, a few weeks ago, and that the killing of Isom was the commencement to carry out this awful conspiracy. What the outcome of this will be in the next 24 hours cannot be foretold. No action has been taken to stop the action of the mob so far.

The names of the killed are: Sam Taylor, Eli Frazier, Sam Pike, Harry Sherad and three whose names could not be learned. No white men have been killed so far.

A Reign of Terror.

A reporter visited the scene last evening. Every crossroad was picketed, with sentinels and every man in the county is armed to the teeth. When one of these excitements occur, King Terror rules in the homes of whites as well as blacks, and this is such a case. There were probably 800 men under arms, covering an area of about five square miles.

About a mile from the home of Isom were about 300 whites, all well armed and breathing all kinds of vengeance. A mile farther was a crowd of negroes of about the same size, armed with Winchester rifles, pistols, axes, clubs and every available weapon, waiting for the whites to attack them. They intrenched in and around a lot of negro cabins in the midst of a thin grove, and the last information is that the whites are advancing on many sides.

It is understood that the Waverleys, Pike, Jim McLelland and a negro named Herring were the others of the seven lynched. The county is comparatively sparsely settled, and the facilities for securing information are very meager. Pike is the negro who killed Isom. He has been in hiding near where the trouble has occurred, and the authorities do not consider it probable that he has been caught.

Captain Tillman, father-in-law of Isom, was doing everything in his power to restrain the whites. He had sent hurried messengers all over the country, summoning to his aid conservative men, in the hope that he could prevent further bloodshed. It will be impossible to know how well he succeeded.

Whites Won't Talk of Peace.

Details of the killing are meager. Taylor, Frazier, Pike and Sheard were together about sunset Saturday night. They were regarded as four of the ringleaders of the conspiracy to kill and burn, and were especially sought for. A half dozen whites, one of whom is said to have been Isom's brother-in-law, came upon them suddenly and ordered them to submit to arrest.

One of the negroes answered with a shot that struck one of the whites, and four blacks were shot down in their tracks. The other three were caught, one at a time.

Many of Isom's neighbors, who were interviewed, will not listen to any peaceful talk. They declare they must stamp out the gang that had sworn to murder, and that spirit seems to predominate.

Sentence None Too Light.

HELENA, Mon., Dec. 24.—Charles J. Jones, a train robber, has been sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment. Jones and three other men held up a Northern Pacific train.

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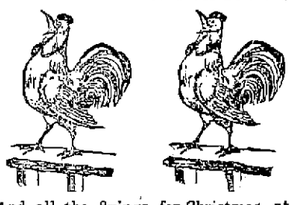

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A Drunkard's Deed.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 24.—George F. Ashford, a laborer, lived with his wife and five children in the east end of the city. For some time past he has been drinking heavily. He returned home late Saturday night and told his wife that her end had come. He then shot her in the head, killing her. Violet, aged 3, was next killed in a similar manner. Nine-year-old Mildred was also shot. The two boys escaped. The fiend fled, but seeing a car approaching, he throw himself in front of it, but the motorman pulled up in time to rescue him, handing him over to the police. Mildred will probably die.

Again In Good Standing.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Dr. Edward McGlynn was appointed on Saturday by Archbishop Corrigan to the rectorship of St. Mary's church at Newburg. There are about 3000 parishoners, and the church is in a sound financial condition. Dr. McGlynn will say mass at the church of the Holy Cross tomorrow.

Lifeboat Swamped.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 24.—Steamer City of Haverhill, from Boston to New York, in tow of the tug Ice King, nearly foundered off this port. The crew lost all their effects, having them in the lifeboat, which swamped.

Monday, - December - 24th,

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ENTIRE STOCK SLAUGHTERED

We have been through our entire stock and reduced the prices on everything. This will be the grandest opportunity to buy Xmas Gifts for less than they cost to import, as we do not intend to carry over a dollar's worth to another season. They must go, and they surely will at the prices we have put on them for today, Monday, December 24th. Price just "half" today. READ.

DOLLS.

Bisque Dolls 25c.
French Dolls 49c.
Indestructible Dolls 10c.
Papa and Mamma Dolls 25c.
Kid Body Dolls 49c.
German Dolls 98c.
Nigger Dolls 10c.
Chinese Dolls 5c.
Dressed Dolls 49c.
Sleeping Dolls 25c.
Washable Dolls 49c.

BOOKS.

Sharp's World's Fair 98c.
Chatterbox, 1894, 69c.
Babyland 25c.
McLaughlin's Books, 5, 10, 15, 19, 25c.
Young Folk's Stories 25c.
Board Cover Books 5c.
Precious Picture Series 16c.
Our Boys Assorted 69c.
Napoleon Bonaparte 69c.
Sunday Book 49c.
"Meadows Sweet to Mistletoe," by Mary A. Lathbury, 25c.
"A Cup of Tea," by Elizabeth S. Tucker, 16c.
Dore Bible Gallery 25c. and lots of others at the same low prices.

TOYS.

Rubber Toys 5, 10, 15, 25, 49c.
Kaleidoscopes 10, 25c.
Chinn Tea Sets 10, 25, 49, 75, 98c
Britannia Tea Sets 10, 25, 49c.
Solid Iron Toys 25, 49, 98c upwards.
Magnetic Swimming Toys, 5, 10, 25c.
Climbing Iron Toys 25, 49c.
Wooden's Real Steam Engines 49, 98c.
Toy Boat "Columbia" 49c.
Harmonicas 5, 10, 25c.
Toy Pianos 49, 98c, $2.47.
Brownies' Ladders 25c.
Scholar's Companions 5, 10, 25c.
Solid Iron Banks 5, 10, 15, 25, 49, 98c.
Toy Kitchens 10, 25, 49c.
Humming Tops 5, 10, 25c.
Jack-in-Box 5, 10, 25c.
Alphabet Blocks 5, 10, 25, 49c.
Paint Boxes, 5, 10, 25, 49c.
Trains and Cars 10, 25, 49c.
Dulcimas 5, 10, 25, 49c.
Toy Casters 25c.
Rocking Horses 98c, $1.97, $2.97
Air Guns 10, 25c.
Shell Boxes, 5, 10, 25c.
Rubber Balls, 5, 10, 19, 25, 49c.
Dolls Cradles, Bedsteads and Tables 25c.

Celluloid Balls 10c.
Jumping Dogs 25c.
Blackboards 25, 49, 69c.
Doll's Carriages 29, 49, 98c.
Magic Lanterns, 49, 98c., $1.69.
Bull's Eye Lanterns 10c.
Trumpets, 5, 10, 25.
Toy Trunks 49c.
Drums, 25, 49, 98c.

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50 kinds popular games 10c. each
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62 kinds new games, 25c. each.
Innocence Abroad 89c. each.
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In Bisque, Rubber and Kid, with wax and china heads, will be offered at 50c on the dollar, together with a lot of Doll's Carriages.

$1000 Worth of Games.

Embracing all the latest Games introduced this season, will be offered at 33c on the dollar.

We are Going Out of the Book Business.

We have a stock of about $1500 worth of Books, among which will be found many fine sets. The complete works of the best authors, any of which we will sell today at half the regular price. We wish to mention particularly the Encyclopaedia Britannica at $25 per set.

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PERSONAL.

Miss Edith Gray of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Nicholas G. Norcross of Huntington street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Mulno of Branch street started for Albany, N. Y. Saturday to spend the holidays with Mrs. John Knox.

Miss Grace Hadley, who has been teaching at Bradford academy the past term, is spending the holidays with her parents, Judge and Mrs. Hadley of Middlesex street.

Thomas G. Gerrish, Jr., of this city, postal clerk between Boston and Portland, has been notified by the government of an increase of salary from $1100 to $1200 per annum.

Presentation to a Second Hand.

A very pleasant event occurred in No. 1 mill, Lawrence corporation, Saturday, as the operatives were about to leave for the winter. All gathered about Mr. Anthony Hennessey, their popular second hand and in a neat speech, Mr. Al. Thompson presented him with a costly gold watch, chain and a Christmas box and card, the gift of the operatives in that mill. Mr. Hennessey though overcome with surprise, expressed his thanks in brief remarks.

Mr. Moody's Departure.

Evangelist Moody concluded his labors here yesterday by two monster meetings at the rink with equally big overflow meetings in the Branch street tabernacle and Huntington hall, afternoon and evening.

Weddings Tomorrow Perhaps.

The following intentions were recorded at the city clerk's office today:
John R. Cummings 25, to Amelia T. Logan 23, Lynn.
Fred A. Pilling 26, to Belle V. Buchanan 26.
Xavier Fontaine 28 to Georgiane St. Cyr 25.

CHRISTMAS.

Presents of money to England, Ireland and Scotland for Christmas at the Money Order Office, 324 Market Street corner of Worthen, payable at any bank in England, Ireland, and Scotland.

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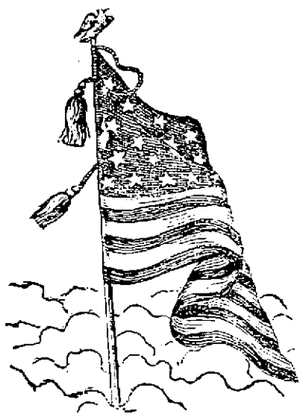

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FRENCH CITIZENS

Organize the Franco-American Club Yesterday.

MASS MEETING ATTENDED BY OVER 1000 PERSONS.

Vigorous Addresses Set Forth Objects of Club.

The greatest meeting of French citizens ever held in this city was that at Jackson hall yesterday afternoon. It was convened for the purpose of perfecting the Franco-American club; the French citizens turned out en masse, not less than a thousand being packed into the hall; eloquent speakers delivered addresses, enthusiasm ran high, subscriptions were called for and freely given in large amounts, and altogether the meeting was an unqualified success.

J. L. Chalifoux was made temporary chairman, and Mr. Bourbonniere, secretary. In his opening address Mr. Chalifoux sounded the keynote of the speeches that followed.

It was essentially a non-partisan meeting and when it was over party lines were practically obliterated.

Mr. Chalifoux said that the interest manifested at the municipal election demonstrated the fact that the French citizens are thoroughly aroused from their indifference in politics and hereafter are determined to take active part in elections. The speaker adduced many strong arguments demonstrating the advantages derived from the priceless privilege guaranteed by the American constitution in the electoral ballot, and argued that the French people in this city have not shown a due appreciation of that privilege. The history of Canada shows that our fathers fought and gave their lives to wrest from England a portion of the privileges afforded under this glorious American government free to all native and adopted citizens. France ceded Canada to England causing many of the better class of French to return to France in indignation at the surrender. About 75,000 farmers remained and these were deprived of their political rights, completely subjugated by England and remained in a state of servitude until patriotic men arose in 1837 and 1838 and fought for their rights. No less than eighteen of them were hanged for revolt, and hundreds of others were sent into exile for life. Thus it was that they obtained the privilege which they enjoy in Canada today. If they did so much for this privilege of a free ballot, is it not worth your while to avail yourselves of this privilege freely offered you by this free government.

It is your duty to yourselves and to the country to get naturalized, to acquire that privilege of voting, exercise the franchise for the country's good and you will at the same time benefit yourselves. You come here to be Americans, you are here to stay and you are here if necessary to follow the patriotic example of Lafayette in defending the nation's existence in arms.

You have complained in the past about the Americans and the Irish not treating you fairly; you have no right to complain. The fault is all your own because you have not yourselves taken up the responsibility of citizenship as promptly as you should. Why should you expect any class to take an interest in you, politically, if you are not a component part of the body politic. Become citizens, exercise the suffrage first for the good of the city and the state, next for yourselves, and you will have no cause to complain; you will have your share of the patronage.

The great attendance at this meeting today shows you are thoroughly aroused and that you mean to correct your mistakes in the past.

Speeches were also made by Aime Gauthier, Charles Roy, E. H. Choquette, A. Jean, L. P. Turcotte, Hilaire Dozois, C. Rossin, J. H. Guillet and Councilman-Elect Rivet.

It was stated that in years past the French themselves opposed their representatives when nominated for office forgetting that the elevation of one was the elevation of all. This must now be changed so that it will be all for one and one for all.

Subscriptions were called for and J. L. Chalifoux headed the list with $50 while a long list of contributions of from $10 to $25 was made up. The amount of the smaller contributions reached $200 and the whole will exceed $500. The names of fifty persons eligible for naturalization were taken.

Contributions Acknowledged.

J. L. Chalifoux, $50; Alfred Leblanc, $25; George Mongeau, $25; Mizael Dupré, $15; J. Boisvert, $15; with hundreds of others varying from $10 downwards amounting in all to the grand total of $745. It is stated that the total will soon reach $1000.

Death of John Young.

Mr. John Young, the well known and universally well liked and respected citizen of Central street, passed away at 5.30 a. m. today, of heart trouble at his home 95 West street, Centralville. He has been ill for a week, that is to say, he had been out of the store for a week, although his trouble had been developing for some time. His death while not unexpected was not anticipated so suddenly.

Mr. Young was 54 years and nine months of age, a native of Scotland and a resident of Lowell a quarter of a century, of which time 18 years were spent at Brown Bros., on Merrimack street, and the past four years in business for himself on Central street. He is survived by a widow and five children. In Mr. Young's death the community loses a faithful citizen and one who by his happy disposition had won the highest respect of his customers as well as his competitors in business on the street. He was a Mason of a Scottish lodge but had never been demitted to a lodge of this city; also a member of the Caledonian club and a member of the First Presbyterian church.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, probably from the house, although arrangements have not been fully completed. In their sorrow, at this time of the year, when everything seems to be joyous, the sorrow will be keenly felt by Mr. Young's friends and their sympathy will go out to the widow and children in great measure.

Sacred Heart Church Bazaar.

The bazaar in this parish will open in the school hall tomorrow evening by a grand concert and cantata under direction of Miss Adelaide A. Sullivan. An entertainment will be given each evening of the bazaar, with a lecture next Sunday evening by Philip J. Farley, Esq., a concert by Handley's World's Fair minstrels Thursday evening, and a New Year's carnival Jan. 2d, conducted by Misses Anna and Alice Lee.

WANTED FORFEIT MONEY.

Only $80 Coming to City on Account of Delay on the East Merrimack Street Bridge.

The committee on streets met Saturday afternoon to approve bills. Councilman Robinson was absent. The company that built the East Merrimack street bridge sent in a bill of $420 for extra work, and Councilman Noble protested against the payment of it. The committee voted to pay it.

A motion was then made to charge the company $25 a day for 20 days' delay on the bridge work. Councilman Noble offered an amendment that the company be charged for 60 days. The amendment was lost and the original motion passed.

The chairman of the committee and Supt. Crowley were instructed to purchase a horse for Mr. Crowley. The difference between the company's bill and the city's forfeit levied is only $80 in favor of the city.

TOM MORIARTY

Is in Lowell After a Pleasant Sporting Trip in New York State

Tom Moriarty, the clever lightweight, is at home for Christmas looking in fine trim. While in Lowell he will be pleased to meet his friends, and incidentally he would like to keep himself in trim by getting on a return match with Flaherty for side money or a good reasonable purse, at 125 pounds.

Moriarty would like to get a "go" at Starlight, or in fact, any good 125 pound man in the country. Moriarty has been meeting good men all the fall and has not met his match yet.

A Lowell Boy's Record Breaking.

It was claimed by a Boston paper recently that Mayor Bancroft's son of Cambridge had the honor of smashing all records at the Harvard admission examination. The matter has been looked up and there are two young men ahead of Mr. Bancroft, the highest being Arthur W. Hodgman of this city who made an average of 90 per cent with R. K. Arnold of Cambridge 87 1-2 per cent and Hugh Bancroft, 77 1-2 per cent.

Mr. Hodgman is the son of Mr. Benjamin Hodgman of Methuen street, foreman of the L. O. P. clothing store. The young man is at present taking an advanced course at Cambridge.

Cradle for a Present.

The employes of F. E. Haines, the laundry man on Middlesex street, testified to the good will they bear their employer by presenting him a pair of beaver driving gloves. To Mrs. Haines they gave a cradle for her one year old son. The gifts were a genuine surprise to both Mr. and Mrs. Haines, who were entirely at loss as to the cause of the shut down in their laundry Saturday afternoon when the presentation was made. Of course everything was explained when the presentation address was made.

At Music Hall.

The new stock company will make its first appearance at this popular house this evening in Mortimer Murdock's famous melodrama entitled "A Hoop of Gold." Mr. J. Francis Kirk and Miss Ethel Tyler are engaged for the leaders, while the old popular favorites, Thomas and Watson, will take care of the comedy. There will be an extra holiday matinee Christmas day and a special dime matinee Wednesday. Thursday Mortimer Murdock's beautiful drama, "A Brave Woman," will be presented. The prices will remain at 10, 20 and 30 cents.

Foresters Attention!

The members of Court Merrimack, No. 6462, are requested to meet at their hall, Palmer and Middle streets, Tuesday afternoon, December 25th, at 2 o'clock for the purpose of attending the funeral of their late brother, George A. McAloon. The members of the various courts of the A. O. F. of A. are cordially invited to attend.

Per order JAMES F. MISKELLA, C. R.
J. J. GALLAGHER, F. S.

In the Next Generation.

Four years ago last Saturday the board of aldermen petitioned the Supreme court to appoint grade crossing commissioners. In the next generation the abolition of the crossings will be an event looked forward to.

A Class of Nurses.

The first class of trained nurses at St. John's hospital will graduate with appropriate exercises in the Immaculate Conception school hall next Thursday afternoon.

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If you can't find a good assortment anywhere but at

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'Twas in dozens we sold these Saturday yet you'd notice no depletion in our stock.

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or any of the staple lines which belong to a well appointed stock come to Merrimack Corner.

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A NICE OFFICE, suitable for doctor or dentist, to let in THE SUN building. Rent very low.

CHURCH MUSIC FOR CHRISTMAS

SPECIAL PROGRAMS IN CATHOLIC AND EPISCOPAL CHURCHES.

"Glory to God in the Highest, Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men" the Hymn of Tomorrow.

The services in the Catholic and Episcopal churches tomorrow will be of the special elaborate nature. Below will be found the programs in detail:

St. Michael's Church.

10.30 A. M.

Overture, Organ and orchestra.
Asperges.....Webbe
Mass of St. Cecilia.....Gounod
Offertory. Adeste fideles.

VESPERS AT 7 P. M.

Millard's.
Laudate Pueri.....Zingarelli
Hymn, Jesu Redemptoris.....Mozart
Magnificat.....Lambillotte
Alma.....Mozart
O Salutaris.
Tantum Ergo.....Rossini
Hallelujah chorus.....Handel

Soloists—Miss Nellie Gilday, Miss Minnie Courtney, Mrs Mary Kelly, Mr. John Kennedy, Mr. Andrew Henley; assisted by Cantwell's orchestra; Mr. Henry Gilday, organist; Mr. John Warburton, director; chorus of 25 voices.

Sacred Heart.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS, 10.30 A. M.

Asperges.....Nenland
Mass in C.....A. D. Rosendy
Veni Creator.....Handel
Offertoire.....Pastorale Lambillotte
Aneste Fideles.

VESPER SERVICE, 3 P. M.

Domine Ad.....Millard
Psalms, Dixit.....Millard
Confitebor.....Est
Beatus Vir.....Est
Laudate Pueri.....Zingarelli
Laudate Dominum.....Est
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.....Est
Magnificat.....Mozart
O Holy Night.....Dressler

Solo and Quartet.

O Salutaris.....L'Abbe De Doss

Soprano solo.

Tantum Ergo.....Goeb
Laudate Dominum.....Est

Solos by members of the choir, assisted by a male quartet and chorus of thirty voices.

Miss Adelaide A. Sullivan, organist and director.

St. Jean Baptiste.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS AT 10.30 A. M.

Overture.....Suppe
Asperges.....Gregorian
Introit, Hodie Christus natus est.....Gregorian
Mass in B flat.....Former
Offertoire Pastores.....Lambillotte
Sortie.

VESPERS, 6.30 P. M.

Psalms.....Gregorian
Magnificat.....Lambillotte
Alma Redemptoris.....Lambillotte
O Salutaris.....Marmase
Tantum Ergo.....Goeb
Laudate Dominum.....Gregorian
Chorus of 30 voices, assisted by McElroe's Orchestra. Solos by Messrs Caisse and Deroiers. A. Alexander, organist; E. J. Pinault, director.

St. Patrick's.

Solemn high mass at 10.30 a. m.
Organ Prelude.....Adeste Fideles
Haydn's Pastoral Mass in B Flat.
Veni Creator.....Gounod
Adeste Fideles. (Offertorium).....Webbe
Glory to God.
Postlude Organ and Orchestra.

Evening Service at 7 P. M.

Prelude Organ and Orchestra.
Psalms.
Dominie Ad.....Millard
Dixit Dominus.....Millard
Confitebor.....Fiske
Beatus Vir.....Fiske
De Profundis.....Schmid
Memento Domini.....Schmid
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.....Mozart
Magnificat.....Klein
Alma Redemptoris.....Mozart
O Salutaris.
Tantum Ergo.....Rossini
Te Deum.

The choir which consists of a double quartet and chorus will be assisted by the American orchestra at both services

M. J. Johnson, organist.
E. F. Faulkner, director.

St. Joseph's Church.

Overture, by the Olympian Orchestra.
3d Mass of Haydn.
Offertory, Ave Maria.....Gounod
With Violin Obligato.
March, by Orchestra.

3 P. M. VESPERS.

Overture.....Orchestra
Hymn.....Plain Chanta
Magnificat.....Mozart
Alma Redemptoris.....Lambillotte
Benediction.
Adeste Fideles.....Novello
Ave Maria.....Gounod
Tantum Ergo.....Verdi

Arranged by A. W. Duval.

March, by Orchestra.
Ed. Vincelette, organist; A. W. Duval, director.

Immaculate Conception.

SOLEMN HIGH MASS AT 10.30 A. M.

Introit, Puer natus est nobis.....Gregorian
Gradual, Vidrunt Omnes.....Gregorian
Mass, Solmi le.....Abbega
Offertory, Noel.....Van Reyshoot
Date Sonitum Pastores.....Costa

EVENING.

Psalms.....Emerich and Sir John Stevenson
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.
Magnificat.....Raimondi
Anthem, Alma.....Mozart
O, Salutaris.....Rossini
Tantum Ergo.....Verdi
"Glory to God".....Robinson

Prof. P. P. Haggerty, conductor; Mrs. P. P. Haggerty, organist. A chorus of sixty voices assisted by the American orchestra.

St. Peter's Church.

MORNING.

Prelude. Organ and orchestra.
Mass.....Haydn's Third
Veni Creator.....Cirilo
Offertory. Adeste Fideles.....Novello
Postlude.

VESPERS 7 P. M.

Psalms.....Millard
Hymn, Jesu Redemptor.....Mozart
Magnificat.....Mozart
Alma Virgo.....Lambillotte
Ave Verum.....Palestrina
Tantum Ergo.....Handel
Laudate Dominum.....Est

Soloists, sopranos, Misses Lizzie McLaughlin, Lillie Cooke; alto, Mrs. A. A. Cunningham; tenors, Messrs. Molloy and Haley; baritones, James Donnelly and B. A. McHugh; bass, Messrs. Frank J. Doherty and Ed. Martin; chorus of 30 voices under the direction of Mr. T. P. Molloy. Organist, Mrs. J. T. Kennedy.

St. Anne's.

The boy choir will sing the following service on Christmas day. Newell N. Mansfield organist and musical director.

Processional.....Smart
Venite.....Felton
Gloria Patri.....Barnby
Te Deum.....C. L. Williams
Benedicte.....Barnby
Introit.....Schubert
Gloria Tibi.....Kendrick
Calm on the Listening Night.....S.....Dykes
Offertory, There Were Shepherds.....Tours
Sanctus.....Steiner
Gloria in Excelsis, Old Chant.
Retrocessional, Hark, the Herald Angels Sing, Mendelssohn

St. John's.

Processional, O come, all ye faithful.....Reading
Venite.....Woodward
Gloria Patri.....Goss
Te Deum, Jubilate Deo.....Baker
Introit Hymn, Hark! the Herald Angels Sing. Mendelssohn
Kyrie.....Baker
Sanctus.....Baker
Hymn, O, Little Town of Bethlehem.....Redner
Offertory, Sing, O Heavens.....Clare
Hymn, Shepherd of Souls.....Dyke
Gloria in Excelsis in F.....Baker
Recessional, Angels from the Realms of Glory, Smart

House of Prayer.

MORNING.

Processional Hymn No. 61.
Kyrie Eleison.....Tours in B flat
Gloria Tibi.....Dykes in F
Anthem. "Behold, I bring you".....Gounod
Offertory.....Barnby in E flat
Sursum Corda.
Sanctus.....Wesley in F
Benedictus.....Tours in E flat
Agnus Dei.....
Hymn No. 73.
Gloria in Excelsis.
Nunc Dimittis.

LATEST

5 O'CLOCK.

WANTED HIS LIFE

Angry Citizens Tried to Make a Jail Break.

TWO PROMINENT CITIZENS HARANGUED THEM LOUDLY

And Finally Turned Away the Mob's Wrath.

By Associated Press To the SUN.

AUGUSTA, Ga., Dec. 24.—Hon. W. H. Flemings, speaker of the Georgia legislature and Judge Eve of the county court, for hours talked to a mob of infuriated citizens who wanted to break into the jail to deliver a negro murderer.

They talked against time and kept the mob at bay until at noon the latter dispersed. Jabe Wiggins killed a negro in a neighboring town and came here. A posse of police guarded the house and Wiggins opened fire, fatally wounding two officers, wounding another and killing a spectator. He was finally landed in jail and the mob tried to get him. But the mob may try again.

FROM THE WIRE.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

The Kittery point railway station was burglarized last night and tickets and money stolen.

The Japanese captured a Chinese seaport, Lai-Chow, yesterday.

Judge Wilson of Chicago on the appeal Debs, et als', counsel to have the jail sentence vacated has fixed the hearing for January 8th.

MAJOR STOTT'S GIFTS

To Every One of His Employes With His Wish for Their Merry Christmas.

Major C. A. Stott of the Belvidere Woolen mills, has given every man and boy in his employ a turkey, and every woman and girl a fine umbrella, with his wish individually and collectively that each might have a merry Christmas. Hats off for the Major, who is the right sort of an employer.

OUR WATER SUPPLY.

Driven Well Systems to be United in the Near Future.

The new driven wells will be in running order and connected with the others by the first of February. The city engineer's staff is now engaged on a plan to connect the plants and this will be completed in a short time.

The contract calls for 2,000,000 gallons, and the city will pay for all above that amount. The probability is that the new wells will produce about 2,500,000, which added to the product of the other wells means a total of about 5,000,000 gallons.

The average daily consumption of the city is about 7,000,000 gallons and the remaining 2,000,000 gallons can be secured by filtration, which will bring it almost up to the standard of the well water when the two are intermingled.

LOCAL NOTES.

The assistant assessors are candidates for renomination.

Ex-alderman Allen's condition is reported more comfortable.

The committee on accounts met this morning and approved bills.

A meeting of the city hall commission will be held at 7.30 this evening.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Trefry of North Billerica.

The Olympic alley pin boys have challenged the Columbian alley boys.

Mr. Currier's system of counting ballots will be used in the recount at Boston.

The Baptist Sunday school of North Billerica will hold its Christmas tree festivities tonight.

In selecting useful Christmas or New Year gifts, visit the Criterion before purchasing.

Mr. Charles Kilpatrick of Union college, Schenectady, N. Y., is visiting Mr. Lewis and family.

Lewis Gumb, the stone mason, has given each of his employes a turkey to assist in making it a merry Christmas for them.

Mr. Oscar Spencer and Miss Lizzie Faulds of North Billerica, will be married at St. Anne's church in this city tomorrow.

Employes of Faulkners' mill at North Billerica are receiving their usual Christmas gifts from the Misses Faulkner of San Bernardino, Cal.

Moir Bros. & Co, have marked at closing out prices all their Christmas goods, and those who haven't bought their present can get bargains today.

The post office will be open for general delivery and the sale of stamps from 8.30 to 10 a. m., tomorrow. There will be a morning but no afternoon delivery by the carriers.

Where are you going my pretty maid? Why to Greene's, he sells watches, jewelry, silverware, pianos, organs, and sewing machines at prices that tell. Go to Greene's 88 Merrimack street.

The Lowell Commercial college will reopen for the next term, Dec. 31. Reasonable tuition rates for a practical business education, bookkeeping, shorthand, typewriting, etc. Graduates assisted in obtaining positions. Make applications now.

A Happy Miss of 11 Years.

The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Maguire, 42 Varney street, was the scene of a very pleasant party Saturday afternoon. Their little daughter, Miss May had reached the 11th stepping stone in her young life and in observance of the event entertained a party of 75 of her young friends.

Various games were played and the little ones contributed vocal and instrumental selections. Decorating the donkey proved a delightful pastime and the prizes were won by Miss Loretto Mirault and Miss Mary Riley. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Maguire assisted by Miss Annie McMahon and Miss Tighe.

101 YEARS OLD TOMORROW.

MRS. BRIDGET FOX WILL HAVE A HAPPY CHRISTMAS.

Remarkable Event Which She Will Celebrate Tomorrow—A Sketch of the Venerable Lady's Life—She is Hale and Hearty and Has a Large Family to Gather About Her.

Tomorrow, Mrs. Bridget Fox, now a centenarian, will have rounded out 100 years of life and reached her 101st anniversary of her advent on this earth. Christmas day to her is a day of double joy. The great feast which marks the birth of the Saviour, brings its tender memories to her.

Mrs. Fox is a delightfully interesting old lady, and reside in a cottage of her own on Lakeview avenue, opposite Coburn street. In the midst of a busy section of our great city she enjoys her daily existence undisturbed by the surrounding noise and clamor of the street. Her favorite occupation in passing the hours is with the needle and in its use she is very adept both in crocheting and knitting fancy articles of all descriptions. In fact she is attracted to fancy work and visitors to her home marvel at some of the specimens of her handiwork. She is a well preserved old lady, and her appearance belies the years of existence attributed to her.

An inquirer is inclined to doubt the old lady's words when she remarks: "I am one hundred years old and if I live till Christmas day will be one hundred and one." Her daughter-in-law Mrs. Catharine Fox resides in the house with her and is surprised at the old lady's activity.

Mrs. Fox is a very cautious lady for one of her years. The writer well remembers a visit he paid to the home of Mrs. Fox last year, in quest of a brief sketch of her career. His summons was answered the lady herself, who upon learning the reporter's mission appeared somewhat doubtful and then replied, "I guess you had better call when my daughter is at home. She can tell you just as well as I." Mrs. Fox makes life pleasant for herself and frequently visits her daughter Mrs. Delaney of Broadway, who is the only surviving child of a family of six sons and two daughters.

She can also boast of fifteen grand children and four great grand children.

The old lady often falls into a reminiscent mood and then her talk is very interesting, especially when she relates events and happenings in her native land, three quarters of a century ago.

She was born in Ballaree, County Monaghan, and came to this country in 1846.

Among the grand children are Rev. Fr. Delaney of Portsmouth, N. H., Sister Louise of Waltham and Mrs. John A. O'Hearn of this city.

DEATHS.

JOHNSON—Marc Johnson, aged 60 years, died yesterday at 41 Paige street.

BYRNE—Bridget Byrne, wife of Edward Byrne, died yesterday at her home, 10 Lewis street. Besides her husband she leaves four children.

GARGAN—Mary A. Gargan, widow of John Gargan, died yesterday morning at her home on Kinsman street. She leaves four young children.

FESSENDEN—Sarah E. Fessenden, aged 52 years, died Saturday at her home in Tewksbury. She leaves four children, one of whom is the wife of Overseer Van Deusen of the Hamilton.

MANGAN—Nellie Mangan, aged 11 years, daughter of James and Jennie Mangan, died Saturday at her home on Chapel street. The funeral took place yesterday morning and the interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

REED—Betsey Reed, aged 97 years, died Friday at her home 455 Moody street. She was confined to her home during the past year, but retained full possession of her faculties, ailing only from the infirmities of age. She was a member of the First Congregational church and took an active interest in church affairs. She was possessed of a kind, obliging disposition that endeared her to her acquaintances. As early as 1820 she with her sisters, Sabina, Hannah and Laurinda, kept a boarding house on the Merrimack corporation.

Death of Julius Chambers, Jr.

Julius Chambers, Jr., grandson of Sheriff and Mrs. Cushing, and son of Mr. Chambers, the well known New York journalist, is dead, and the funeral service occurred from the sheriff's home at the jail this afternoon. The remains reached here Saturday evening. Prior to their removal from New York brief services were held by Dr. T. De Witt Talmage at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chambers in New York.

To young Chambers the knowledge that he had only a short time to live came suddenly and almost simultaneously with his attainment to the West Point appointment, an honor toward which he had directed all his efforts for the past four years. After preparation at the Mitchell school at Billerica, Mass., he had studied at Clinton Military academy at Fort Plain, N. Y., and in June last, after passing the requisite examinations, had received from Lemuel E. Quigg, New York congressman from the district in which he lived, promise of the coveted position.

Upon his physical examination, which was held only a year ago, the examining physicians rated him almost perfect. In April he contracted the grip, which, before any suspicion of the fact was awakened even in the minds of his physicians, developed into pulmonary trouble.

In the struggle which followed to check the advance of the disease the young man visited different localities and had the most approved forms of treatment. When told that his case was without hope he took the message without flinching. To the last he was cheerful, brave and manly. His greatest desire seemed to be to lessen the grief of those around him.

His friends, and they were many, knew him for a bright, talented, companionable, plucky lad, manly beyond his years. He was an excellent all-round athlete and a musician of no mean merit. He was tall and looked the soldier that he longed to be.

His death came suddenly. The family had made preparations to start south within a few days. Some friends were with him throughout the evening, and he was in better spirits than usual. Late at night he was seized with violent coughing, from the weakening effects of which he had not strength to rally. His death was peaceful and without pain.

McManmon, florist, Prescott & Merr'k sts

Sunday School Christmas Concerts.

There were pleasing and finely arranged Sunday school concerts partaking of a Christmas nature in the Eliot, First Congregational, First Presbyterian, Central Methodist and Worthen street Methodist churches, last evening.

Cornered.

Yes, we have been cornered at the old stand for just 10 years this Xmas, but our present display of holiday goods beats all previous efforts. The U. S. Tea. Co., corner Central and Prescott streets.

THE SUN EXTRA

6 O'CLOCK

A Mackintosh Coat that fits is about as rare as a white blackbird.

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PICKING QUARRELS WAS FATAL.

NEIGHBORS TRIED A LITTLE PISTOL PRACTICE ON KING.

He Was Found Dead a Little Later Having Made an Excellent Target.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 24.—Yesterday afternoon, in St. Benard's parish, below this city, a negro named George King had trouble with two other negroes at the house of a Mr. Koste, a prominent citizen of the parish, and was ordered off the premises by Koste.

King possessed himself of his employer's shotgun and gamebag, which contained cartridges of bird shot, and fired twice at a constable who happened to be passing, and then took refuge in the barn.

Several boys, attracted by the firing and excitement, came up to the fence, when King opened an indiscriminate fire on them. He fired seven shots, painfully wounding several of the boys with small shot.

A crowd surrounded the barn, and two men succeeded in making an entrance. King hid under the hay, but on being discovered rose up and fired at one of the men, who jumped from a convenient window just in time to escape being hit.

The other man emptied his revolver into the infuriated negro. The barn took fire, and King was forced out of his retreat by flames, and ran under another building.

By this time the commanding officer at Jackson barracks, which is near by, had ordered out troops to assist in putting out the fire.

When found, King was dead from the effects of the bullets which had been fired into him while in the barn.

IS THIS UNAMERICAN?

Russian Residents of Chicago Swear Allegiance to the Czar of Russia.

By Associated Press to THE SUN.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—The Chicago subjects of the czar of Russia swore allegiance to him yesterday.

The oath was a most comprehensive one, and the keynote of it seemed to be the underlying intermation that every human interest must be held by all loyal Russians to be subordinate when compared with the czar's interests.

FUNERAL SERVICES.

GRANT—The funeral of Julia Grant took place yesterday afternoon from her late home, 24 Walker street, and was largely attended. The remains were interred in the Catholic cemetery, where service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Leonard.

The bearers were Messrs. Peter J. Brady, Alfred Willett, Frelard Secord, Wm. Thompson, Michael Mulcahey and Fred Dennis.

McCARRON—James McCarron, Jr., a popular ward three resident who died Friday was buried yesterday afternoon from his late home on Gorham street.

At 2 o'clock the Mathew Temperance Institute and Burke Temperance Institute assembled at their respective halls and headed by St. Patrick's Cadet band marched to the residence of the deceased. The casket containing the remains was borne to the hearse and the cortege proceeded to St. Peter's church. Nearly every seat in the large edifice was occupied by friends and relatives of the deceased. The service was conducted by Rev. Fr. McKenna, and at the conclusion the members of the societies marched past the casket and took a last look at the remains of their brother member. The funeral procession was then reformed and proceeded up Gorham street to the Catholic cemetery. Hundreds of people gathered on the sidewalks as the procession moved along and many expressions of sympathy were heard. At the grave in the Catholic cemetery the body was lowered to its last resting place and a final prayer was offered. Several beautiful floral offerings were placed over the grave. The pall bearers were Messrs. Thomas Green, Ralph Cullen, William Ryper, Thomas Keegan, Philip McNulty and John Thompson. Deceased was a popular member of the Burke Temperance Institute, and always evinced a lively interest in society affairs. Since the death of his father he has conducted a store in Ward Three, and dealt in newspapers, periodicals and varieties. He had numerous friends and succeeded to make acquaintances by his free manners and kind disposition.

TRAVERS—The funeral of Daisy E. Travers took place this afternoon from her parents' home on Broadway and was well attended. The pall bearers were John Graham, John Keyes, Edward Riley, John Quinn, Fred O'Brien and John Ward.

There were some beautiful floral offerings among them being a pillow inscribed "Our lost darling," from the family; crescent and bar, James Ryder; star, Annie McGuire; spray of pinks, Mrs. Bickford; bouqet, Miss Alice Riley; pinks, Ella Ryder; basket, Bridget and Mary Smith; pinks and roses, the Misses Ward; pinks, Sunday school class of St. Patrick's church; bouquet, Mrs. P. Brady; pinks, Miss Hoyt; pinks and roses, Mrs. Kate McNamara. Burial was in the Catholic cemetery, where service was conducted by Rev. Fr. Burke.

GARGHAN—The funeral of the late Mary A. Garghan took place this afternoon from St. Peter's church, service being conducted by Rev. Fr. McManus. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends. Interment was in the Catholic cemetery.

He May Have Skipped.

M. B. Curtis, the actor who is under bonds to return to Lowell at the next Superior civil court, is reported to have gone to Europe. J. B. Swift is his bondsman. The case pending grew out of the poor debtor's hearing in the police court recently.

The Strikers' Meeting.

The Faulkner mill strikers met Saturday afternoon and the ball committee reported the social as a financial success. A contribution of $25 has been received from a business man.

LAWRENCE MARTIN KILLED

HE FELL FROM A PLANK SCAFFOLD TO THE GROUND.

He Was a Brick Mason and Steady Workman—Christmas Finds Seven Little Children Fatherless—Death Was Very Busy in This Christmas Season.

Lawrence Martin, a brick mason at work on a scaffold at the Tremont & Suffolk mills, just before noon fell to the ground, quite a distance, and alighting on his head, was so badly hurt that he died soon after.

Just how the accident occurred is not clearly explained at this time of writing, but it is thought he made a misstep on a plank and falling turned a somersault with the result stated.

He lived in Blair's block on Broadway, and at home is a wife and seven little children. It will be a sad Christmas for them. Martin was about 35 years of age. The remains were taken to O'Donnell's rooms.

DAY IN POLICE COURT.

Many Drunks Were Fined by the Judge.

Lowell still holds its sad record for drunken women. There were eight in court this morning.

There were 21 week day and 13 Sunday drunks. Of the total number 13 were released.

Elderic Frappler, who was arrested by Constable Gately, was sentenced to the state farm for six months.

Mary J. McManus was recently discharged from the workhouse and got in again for five months having been drunk again.

Officers Fox and Duncan raided a room in a Merrimack street block last night and arrested six drunken men who were holding a symposium with six pints of whiskey and a pailful of punch made of raw alcohol and water. All were French except one and he was Italian. A French interpreter was used in all cases even that of the Italian whom all thought was French until after his trial. They were fined $5 each.

Patrick Stack, fourth time, was sent to jail for five months.

Josephine Atwood, found guilty of being a vagrant was sent to the work house for six months.

James P. Doherty, who stole a turkey, was sent to jail for two months.

James McManus, who was found guilty of assaulting his wife, was fined $10 and put under bonds to keep the peace.

A man named Houston was tried for indecent exposure and found guilty. The court imposed a fine $15 which Houston paid. The affair occurred outside W. H. I. Hayes' residence.

Priv. C. O. Estabrook of the Welch Guards and Private Ed. Worthen of the Cadets are especially mentioned as prize winners in the adjutant general's report.

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THERE WILL be no SUN published tomorrow.

THE SUN wishes its readers and friends near and far a merry, merry Christmas.

NEW MEDICAL REMEDIES.

In the progress of medical science there are new discoveries daily being announced, new remedies prescribed as superior to old after a long series of experiments. There are also new diseases for which new remedies are needed and the constant discovery of ailments formerly unknown, leads the curious or the skeptical to inquire if the doctors of the present day will not be looked upon by posterity as we look upon those of past ages, viz, as a class of men convinced that they had discovered the secrets of Nature and were masters of all the remedies for curing, so far as cure was possible, all the ills to which flesh is err. Be this as it may, it is certain that the physicians are our highest guides in medical science, and whether their remedies kill or cure we are obliged to accept them as the highest aid that human skill can give.

In old times the method of phlebotomy or blood-letting was considered a sure remedy for certain diseases and a preventive of others; but it was abandoned as a useless waste of vitality more likely to injure than to relieve. Until recently there was no such treatment as baths in fever; but now typhoid patients are given cold baths at short intervals to keep down the temperature. It is but a short time since doctors began to ascribe death to appendicitis, and now the removal of the vermiform appendage is of frequent occurrence as a means of saving the lives of patients said to be afflicted with that particular complication.

But the process of inoculation for certain diseases has proved to be the greatest departure in medical practice. Most successfully applied as a preventive of small pox, although even in this its efficiency is questioned by some, its use is gradually extending to other diseases and may in time become a most effective preventive as well as a remedy for other dangerous diseases.

The study of bacteriology has led to many important discoveries in relation to the cause of certain diseases, and indicates in what manner they may be prevented.

It is a revelation to some to know that consumption is communicated to human beings through the milk or flesh of cows afflicted with tuberculosis or from one person to another by the sputa from the lungs. Hereditary tendencies to the disease of course are difficult to overcome, but they offer but a rich field of culture to the bacilli of the disease. So it is in many other diseases.

Diphtheria is a a dread disease, almost as bad as small pox in its fatalities, and this is now being treated by a new method, in which inoculation is the leading feature.

It is reported from the hospitals in which the new treatment has been thoroughly tried, that deaths are now scarcely half as numerous as before the anti-toxine method was tried.

It is a common law of medicine that the serum form of blood of an animal which has been rendered immune from a disease is a specific for that disease. This is so in cholera, diphtheria and tetanus. It is also said to be true of typhoid fever. Experiments have not gone far enough to determine whether this principle applies to scarlet fever.

The serum is used in the first place as a means of detecting the disease before its symptoms are outwardly developed. It thus affords a means of securing isolation before the disease spreads and also of applying timely remedies to check it.

The diphtherine or serum is made from an artificial culture or development of the diphtheria bacillus taken from the throat of a patient. This is injected into the goat or horse, both of which enjoy natural immunity from diphtheria and tuberculosis. Inoculating this animal a number of times with this culture creates an artificial immunity against diphtheria. After this is established the animal is bled and an extract of the blood is made which is found to have curative virtues for diphtheria in human beings. The portion of the blood used is the serum and the hypodermic injection of the fraction of a centimetre of this serum or diphtherine has the result, as has been shown conclusively in Paris and Berlin hospitals, of reducing the mortality in diphtheria cases by about fifty per cent. Diphtherine is also used as a preventive. For instance if a case occurs in a house all the members of the family are inoculated and the spread of the disease is stopped.

This new method of treatment was discovered by Dr. Behring of the Institute for Contagious and Infectious diseases in Berlin about three years ago and it has been used in Paris and Berlin for about two years with gratifying results.

The board of health has issued a circular to the doctors of the city offering the serum and swabs for detecting the disease. The diphtherine will probably be obtained from New York where it is being produced at considerable expense from the most healthy animals. It will be interesting to see the result of the new treatment in this city as it will be used on the first case of diphtheria that makes its appearance.

CARLISLE'S CURRENCY bill appears to be doomed to defeat the solution of the currency question is wholly a matter of business and should not be made a partisan issue. Whatever measure in the judgment of both parties is best calculated to settle the ever recurring troubles of the currency, should be passed at once. The currency should be sufficiently elastic to meet all the needs of the country and at the same time so stable that it will not jeopardize the credit of the government by depreciation. The democratic party is pledged to currency reform and should provide a basis for a paper currency outside the treasury issue. A new banking law is needed and if the democratic party lets pass the present opportunity of settling the question aright it will have added one other to its long list of egregious blunders.

IN PURCHASING Christmas presents don't forget the poor whom we have always with us. Make it a merry Christmas in every home however humble.

TIME WAS in New England when Christmas day was not observed by suspension of labor and religious services. Now the observance is general.

Christmas Again.

THROW away cares, and all live in the present:
Youngsters are flirting with laughter and noise;
Christmas indoors is remarkably pleasant—
Dances and games for the girls and the boys.
Outside the shadows are colder—'tis snowing,
Soft flakes whirl downward and drift on the pane.
Round the warm hearth, where the fire is glowing,
Old folks draw closer at Christmas again!

The head of the house, in the glow of the embers,
Stands straight as an arrow, smiling, but grand.
There is his wife, and some fifty Decembers
Leave her as lightly as waves on the sand.
She is to him still as fair as he thought her
When in her teens his allegiance he swore.
Many a son, now, and blossom cheeked daughter
Gather about them for Christmas once more!

Then there are neighbors and cousins and lovers:
Bertie, from college, and stroke of his crew:
Sportsmen who come with an eye on the covers;
Maidens of beauty whose charms are not few.
Dainty Dianas of favors quite chary;
Reginald, fresh from the ranch on the plain;
Learned girl graduates, Sallie and Mary,
Meeting and greeting at Christmas again.

Still, to my fancy, the fairest of faces
Yonder is shining in silvery curls,
Framed in soft wrappings and delicate laces,
Grandmother sits in a cluster of girls,
Watching the dancers with eyes growing tender,
Clearer and dearer for long ago pain;
Holding the loving hands near to defend her,
Safe with her children at Christmas again.

I can remember when beaux by the dozen
Toasted her beauty in wit and in wine:
I, too, adored her—though I was a cousin—
Many a sword tried its mettle with mine.
Ah, gallant company, vanished to hades!
Swept with the years till we only remain.
She is for me still the sweetest of ladies—
I, her old suitor, at Christmas again!

Madam, your hand! Though the dancers be plenty,
Let us, too, stand—not in waltz or in reel.
This was "the mode," eighteen hundred and twenty,
When it was voted as "mighty genteel."
Ah, that was dancing. Then "steps" were "de rigueur"
(Not a wild scramble, absurd and insane).
You will remember that elegant figure—
Let us walk through it at Christmas again!

Yes, that is well! Strike a stately measure,
Fitting the snows and the honor of years.
Say, does it bring to you visions of pleasure,
Or has the music a tremor of tears?
Here let us stay. Why this laughter, young misses?
"Under the mistletoe!" Zounds! then, 'tis plain,
Grandmother, blushing, must bring out those kisses
She has been keeping for Christmas again!

—Launce Lee.

Best He Could Do.

The robber presented his glittering pistol.

"Have you a vacancy in your bookkeeping staff?" he demanded.

The president of the bank shook his head.

"Well"—

The outlaw sighed. He was palpably chagrined.

—"I'll have to be contented, then, with what cash you have on hand."

Stealing $17,413.18, he left the place.—Detroit Tribune.

Why They Went Off.

"Are you loaded?" asked the pistol of the shotgun.

"No," said the latter; "I'm shot."

Then both exploded with laughter.—Philadelphia Call.

IT'S EASY TO GET IN, where there's a sluggish liver, for any of the germs of disease that surround you. If your liver were active and healthy, it would keep them out of your blood. You'll have to watch your liver for self-protection.

Just as soon as you see the first symptoms that it's wrong (eruptions on the skin, or a dull and worn-out feeling) you ought to take Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. That will start your liver into a healthy, natural action, purify your blood, too; it will brace up your whole system, and give you strength and color, and put on needed flesh—not *fat*, but wholesome, necessary flesh.

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HOW DISEASE IS SPREAD.

INSECTS PLAY AN IMPORTANT PART ACCORDING TO SCIENCE.

Story of an Interesting Crusade Against Bed Bugs Which are Called the Lodging Housekeeper's Friends—Good Health News of all Kinds.

Modern Medicine says that French sanitarians are just now considerably agitated over the question of bedbugs. Dr. Felix Bremond argued before the commission of hygiene that the bedbug is a nuisance and a cause of disease and so thoroughly convinced the commission of the correctness of his ideas that the extermination of the bedbug in infested lodging houses was ordered forthwith. But the lodging house keepers had become so much attached to the society of this cheerful pet that they entered a vigorous protest and contested the decision in the courts, with the result that the state council reversed the decision of the commission of hygiene, and thus the bugs were delivered from the imminent peril which threatened them, and the tenants of cheap lodging houses in Paris still furnish food for these hungry phlebotomists.

Drs. Bremond and De Wevere have made a careful study of the relation of bedbugs to health and have shown that this loathsome insect is a menace to health not only by reason of the loss of sleep and of blood directly attributable to its ravages, but also through its becoming the means of transmitting the microbes of tuberculosis. One case is cited in which such a communication of disease took place. A young man died of tuberculosis. Shortly afterward his brother, who occupied his bed, became infected with general tuberculosis. The physician in attendance noticed the marks of bites, examined the bugs and found that a large portion of them carried tubercular bacilli in their alimentary canals. It has long been known that flies may communicate cholera and other infections, as erysipelas and possibly yellow fever. Mosquitoes convey certain animal parasites, possibly also the parasites of malaria. It is possible that many insects may be engaged in this mischievous activity.

Cleaning the Sickroom.

A sickroom that needs cleaning may be made fresh and sweet without sweeping and without dust by wiping everything, carpet included, with a cloth wrung out of warm water in which there are a few drops of ammonia. There should be no rugs and draperies, but if there are put them on a line outdoors to air and wipe in the same way. Never dust with feather duster, which only changes the locality of the dust. There may be germs of disease even in innocent looking dust. A screen may be placed in front of the bed if the patient is nervous. Physicians say that using a kerosene lamp, with the wick turned low, causing an ill smelling gas, is sometimes the cause of diphtheria.

Relief For Tired Feet.

If people who are troubled with tired feet could know the relief that comes from the use of cushions placed in front of the table where they stand when dishes are washed or vegetables prepared, they would provide themselves with one or more of these pads at once. They may be made with several thicknesses of old cloth, bagging, carpet lining or horse blanket stitched together and covered with old carpet or drugget, the edges turned in and overhanded and the whole then tacked like a comfortable.

The Dandy Tweezers.

A pair of small steel tweezers, very inexpensive, should be in a generally known place in every house, particularly where there are children. It always makes the dreaded splinter or brier in the bare foot much more easily managed and often saves a doctor and much misery, as in case of a needle.

CONCERNING CORRESPONDENCE.

Novelties In Stationery—Fads and Fancies More or Less In Vogue.

Certain fixed rules have prevailed and are likely to prevail as regards letter writing, but no law has been laid down, even by Dame Fashion, as to what size or shape of paper and envelopes, what thickness or what color is correct. Unruled paper is of course the only thing possible. To write with lines implies, to put it very mildly, a neglected education. The note or letter stamped with the hall mark of good breeding is generally on a medium sized cream tinted sheet absolutely without any fragrance save a very faint one of orris root.

Bright blue paper or bright purple has lately been shown at the stationers' shops, paper that will fold not into square but into oblong envelopes. It is a fancy that will not last. Crests, monograms and coats of arms are all more or less affected, but the favorite ornamentation on any paper is the address stamped at the top of the first sheet in clear, distinct letters, not script. On the envelopes there is never anything put. There was an attempt to have the address also on the back of the envelope, but tradespeople adopted the plan at once, and it was then tabooed as being too professional.

All sizes of paper ought to be kept on hand on a well appointed writing table. Letter paper of good size, note paper, medium and very small, and even a few of the cards which fit into square envelopes should be within easy reach, and there should also be some thin large paper or pads for common use. Paper is much cheaper than it used to be, so there is very little excuse for untidy letters written on half sheets and folded into envelopes that do not at all correspond in color or shape.

Writing pads are capital things to use. The finest qualities of linen paper come in these pads of the right size to go into the small square envelopes, and when there are a great many letters to be written it is much easier to write them on a pad than to sit down at a writing table to do it.

It is always rather smart looking to seal a note or letter with sealing wax. Red, black and pale blue are the best to use.

Postal cards are not in favor for correspondence. They are used only in giving orders or for business purposes.

Writing with quill pens is not so much of a fad as at one time it threatened to be, but clear, legible handwriting should be cultivated. Colored inks are not used. Jet black is decidedly the thing, according to Harper's Bazar, which is authority for the foregoing.

Its Reason.

Little Willie—I was going fishing Sunday, but my papa wouldn't let me.

Rev. Dr. Saintly—That's the right kind of a papa to have. Did he tell you the reason why?

Willie—Yussir. He said there wasn't bait enough for two.—Life.

Why Shouldn't She?

He—She has very handsome teeth.

She—Why shouldn't she when her brother's a dentist?—Rogerville (Tenn.) Review.

Modified.

Mabel—Did you notice what a stone cold stare Mr. Dibbles gave us?

Ethel—Yes, but he just came from the club. He's naturally a little rocky, you know.—New York World.

SUNBEAMS.

Love Is a Pain.

"Do you think your sister will be down soon, Willie?"

"Yes; she said she was coming down as soon as she could, so as to have it over with."—Life.

He Caved.

A man knocked at the door of a house in Pavilion street. When a woman came to the door, he smiled pleasantly and said:

"Madam, pardon me for intruding upon you. I wish to make an appeal to you. I am a victim of the forest fires."

"What forest fires?"

"I lived at Hinckley, and my little home was destroyed."

"Oh, yes. I know you now. Didn't I used to see you in Hinckley?"

"Why—ah—certainly you did."

"I've seen you many a time. What's your name?"

"Flanders."

"Flanders, that's it. I know you. Did you lose your wife in the fire?"

"In the fire—you mean the forest fire? Yes, ma'am, that's when I lost her."

"I know your wife very well."

"Yes, ma'am—is that so? You lived there, did you? Well!" He backed away from her and began to tremble. She fastened a cold, steady gaze on him.

"What became of the children?" she asked.

"I'll be going, ma'am," he said, and with that he bolted for the front gate.

"That's funny," said she as she watched him retreat down the street. "The minute you begin to back up a story for one of those fellows he gets scared and runs away."—Chicago Record.

Not a Question of Evidence.

"I'm afraid," said the rural justice, "that I shall be compelled to fine you $10 and costs."

"But, your honor, the evidence proves I am innocent."

"I know it," replied the justice; "but, my friend, I've got a family to support."—Atlanta Constitution.

Merely Down.

Their lips met.

"The goal at last," he murmured.

"Touchdown," she observed gently, correcting him in accordance with her understanding of the football terminology.—Detroit Tribune.

Of Course Not.

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SOMETHING NOTICED IN PASSING.

Several Things Which Caught the "Kicker's" Eye.

Trip for Union Men—Plutocracy's Howl Over the Strike Commissions's Report—Three Problems Discussed—Monopolis, Immigration and Illiteracy.

A recent special to the New York World from Spokane, Wash., read:

All the union men in the mines controlled by the Bunker Hill and Sullivan company at Wardner, in the Coeur d'Alene country, have quit work, and the hardest battle ever known between the miners and the mine owners is expected. The union demanded $3.50 per day for underground men, with "scab" labor barred. The situation is critical. The Populists are in control of the county.

It is a new idea to mention that a certain political party is in control where there is a labor difficulty. One isn't told in the above dispatch whether "the situation in critical" because the miners struck or because "the Populists are in control," but the inference is that the Populists are likely to sympathize with the workingmen. There is a tip in this for those union men who seem to be still blinded as to their political interests.

No one was surprised that certain plutocratic newspapers waxed wroth over the report made by the federal strike commission. Not to have ridiculed the report and vilified the commissioners would have shown such papers to be unworthy of the trust placed in them by the barons, but the fidelity of the daily press paled beside that of a weekly sheet known as The Railway Age, whose editor addressed "an open letter to the strike commission." The "open letter" frothed and snorted in a way that must have delighted the railway kings, but it doesn't appear that the commission was frightened by it. Chairman Wright has sent the chief mogul of The Railway Age a letter from which the following is taken:

Yours of the 19th, inclosing a copy of your open letter to the strike commission, was duly received. I have examined the points you attempt to make against the commission and find that every material position taken by you is false, while our own positions are in the main clearly substantiated by the evidence taken by the commission and chiefly by the sworn testimony of the railway and Pullman officials. This evidence can be freely examined by any one you see fit to send to this office, as I have an extra copy of it, or you can find a copy of it in the hands of Judge Worthington at Peoria. The testimony will be printed by order of congress, and then every one can satisfy himself as to the truth of the position taken by the commission. I believe the report of the commission to be thoroughly impregnable as to every material statement of facts.

Another of labor's Fifth avenue preacher friends has been telling New York's Four Hundred all about the "tyranny of labor." I call him labor's friend because he says, "I am in favor of labor organizations." It makes no difference that in his sermon he gave the lie to that declaration a score of times. I conclude that he was gaying his aristocratic hearers, and that all that he really meant was put into his declaration in favor of unions. The New York Tribune, another and distinguished friend of labor organizations, makes room for several extracts from the sermon of Rev. Charles H. Eaton, to which I refer. One paragraph which The Tribune took pleasure in finding space for was this:

When laboring men, like other men, have learned self control a little better, there will be fewer strikes and less tyranny. Let us remember that the tyranny of labor is a greater menace to safety than the tyranny of wealth.

No danger that "us" will forget the wise utterance of Mr. Eaton. His church is located at the corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-fifth street, New York. The average "us" of that neighborhood has no fear of "the tyranny of wealth." Let us observe one of the gentleman's instances of "the tyranny of labor:"

The committee appointed by the president should have made a more adequate report in connection with the sympathetic nature of that strike and the tyranny of the American Railway union in its unjust demands. I am in favor of labor organizations, but labor unions are always guilty of tyranny when they attempt to build down instead of up.

Eaton is a friend of labor, for he himself hath said it. The good Lord save us from such friends!

The Detroit News "writes up" one of the interesting characters of the city's water front, and as I read it I am put to thinking by this paragraph:

Another remarkable thing about this strange character, almost as noticeable as his gift of naming vessels, is that he is the only man out of 150 members in Longshoremen's union No. 10 who subscribes for a labor paper. Harry Barter, president of the union, is responsible for this statement, and Harry ought to know. Mitchell pays $1 a year in advance for the Grand Rapids Workman, and he is well posted on almost all the important happenings in the field of labor, for his wife reads to him, and she says he is an attentive listener.

I say that paragraph puts me to thinking. I have published labor papers, and I have often been asked why I didn't keep at it. Read the answer in the above paragraph. All honor to Piette Mitchell, who, though he cannot read or write, supports the struggling labor press and keeps posted on labor affairs. Shame on the other 199 members of that union, and the many other unions with no better record!

JOS. R. BUCHANAN.

A Divine Discusses Monopolies, Immigration and Illiteracy.

On the subject of "America and Its Problems" the Rev. John L. Scudder, pastor of the Congregational tabernacle, Jersey City, preached a special sermon to the Junior Order of American Mechanics last Sunday. Among other things Dr. Scudder said:

We are all proud of our country, with its magnificent coast lines on the east, south and west, its gigantic lakes and majestic rivers, which carry the seaboard into the interior. What boundless territory is ours! You could put the whole of Germany or France into our state of Texas, throwing in Denmark, Belgium and Switzerland around the edges, and yet have a surplus of over 12,000 square miles. The state of California is large enough to hold the entire population of the globe and yet have only 14 persons to the acre. It has been well said that the Thames would scarcely make a gargle for the mouth of the Mississippi. We are the foremost agricultural nation of the earth. We have the most wealth. We are growing rich at the rate of several millions of dollars a day, but there are several knotty problems for us to solve, and one is that this wealth is so unevenly distributed as to cause alarm among farseeing men.

During the last 50 years there has been an increasing tendency toward the concentration of wealth in the hands of a few, and the people at large are in the power and under the heel of vast monopolies and trusts. If this evil is not checked, we shall drift fast into socialism. Whenever a monopoly becomes imperious and oppressive, the voters will combine and compel the state to do for them at a proper price what the monopoly did at an unjust price. If rapid transit companies neglect their customers, the people, through their representatives, will build rapid transit railroads of their own. If coal barons put up the price of coal unduly high and ignore the cries of the people, they will wake up some day to find that the government will condemn the coal beds of America and dig our coal for us at a reasonable price. This industrial problem growing out of the concentration of wealth is worth the study of every patriotic American.

Another problem crying for instant solution is that of immigration. If the working classes of America are to enjoy their present standard of compensation and maintain the self respect they have attained through high aspiration and general enlightenment, they must not be compelled to compete with the pauper labor of Europe and Asia through the wholesale introduction of foreigners into this country. There are no more 160 acre farms to give away to every man who knocks at our doors. We are beginning to feel the strain of unemployed labor in our large cities. We have all we can do to look after our own poor without welcoming the poor of every country on the earth. We have enough discontent here without importing anarchists and criminals from abroad to aggravate what already exists. This idea that America is the asylum for the offscourings of the earth is worn out. Let them go to Africa for the next half century. They are needed over there.

Another problem is how to overcome the illiteracy existing among so many of the people and make them fit to vote and play the part of intelligent citizenship. Our system of education is wholly inadequate to the public need. We claim to be an enlightened nation, and yet 5,000,000 people in these United States cannot write their names. Many children are in the factories and stores who ought to be in the schools, and many children are knocking at the schoolhouse door and cannot gain admittance. The greatest danger to our republic is the illiterate voter, who is a most incongruous product in a land of light and liberty. My firm conviction is that no man should cast his ballot who cannot read the constitution of the United States and understand what he is reading.

Jersey's Labor Programme.

The New Jersey Federation of Trades has mapped out the following legislative programme:

An amendment to the constitution providing for direct legislation.

An eight hour workday for all state, county and city employees.

A bill providing for a fair paid up or surrender value upon every industrial insurance policy held in New Jersey the premiums upon which have been paid for a period of one year.

A bill for the weekly payment of wages by manufacturing, mining and mercantile establishments.

A bill for the examination and licensing of stationary engineers.

A bill making it unlawful for companies operating railroads for public use, in the conveyance of persons and property, to employ any person who has not attained the age of 20 years to receive or transmit dispatches or train orders governing the movement of trains, and every person so employed shall have had at least one year's practical experience as a railroad telegraph operator.

A bill providing for the observance of legal holidays.

A bill granting additional power, through the courts, to the state board of arbitration, enabling the board to compel witnesses to testify before it.

A bill for the better protection of the journeymen printers of New Jersey in the distribution of official state printing and advertising.

A bill making it unlawful to retain wages due employees.

A bill making it unlawful for Pullman cars to sell liquor without license.

First Suit of the Kind.

A bill in equity has been filed in a Pittsburg court by President M. M. Garland and Secretary J. C. Kilgallon of the Amalgamated association against President W. C. Croonemeyer and Secretary John Jarrett of the Tinned Plate Manufacturers' association and the United States Iron and Tin Plate Manufacturing company for an injunction restraining the defendants from operating the Demmler Tin Plate works at lower wages than those named in the wage scale of the Tin Plate Workers and asking that this contract between the workers and the manufacturers be declared in force.

This is the first of the kind ever filed and will test the validity of a wage scale. A few weeks ago the Demmler plant started up nonunion, the union men refusing to take a reduction in wages, but insisting upon the contract existing between the mill owners and the union.

BEER AND POLITICS.

They Are Discussed Entertainingly by Brooklyn Sugar Trust Employees.

The other evening I wandered in the direction of Kent avenue, Brooklyn, and went into one of the "beereries," and sitting down at a table called for a glass of beer.

There were half a dozen men at the next table engaged in a heated argument. Four of them were Irish, one was a Swede and the other a German.

They were evidently employees of the sugar house and were discussing politics and the reason for the great Republican victory and its effect on business.

One of the Irishmen, who had a high voice and a fringe of County Antrim whiskers, had the floor and was evidently finishing up his side of the argument.

"I tell ye, min," he said, "there's no use in talkin, but politics is a quare game. This time two years ago the bosses towld us that if Cleveland an all the other Dimocrats didn't get in the sugar business 'ed go to smash an we'd all be left high an dhry. Well, the Dimocrats got in, an phwhat was the result—the sugar bosses formed a thrust for the purpose o' lowerin wages an risin the price o' sugar at the same time, an phwhin the min schruck the bosses towld thim they c'u'd go to the devil. Phwhin election time kem round this year, they shut down an towld the min that the uncertainty o' the election med thim uneasy, an if the Republican party wasn't successful perhaps the refineries would niver be able to resume. So the hands all voted the bosses' way, an, lo an behold yel the day afther election the refineries started up, an they've been runnin on full time iver since. Phwhat I can't understand is phwhy the success o' the Dimocratic party saved the sugar business this time two years ago, an phwhy the success o' the Republicans this year has accomplished the same thing" [The trust has since shut down all its refineries.]

"Well," said the Swede, seeing a chance to slip a word in edgeways, "yow doan' bano werry smart of yow doan' know about dose tangs. Et's de tariff what makes everytang go up an down, yust like seesaw. Some time dey put tariff on sugar; den sho gow up. Den dey took off tariff, an sho gow down. Dat's all dere is tow it."

"Allow me to differ wid ye," said one of the other Irishmen, who had a rather intelligent face. "It ain't nither the parties or politics or the tariff that's to blame for the state o' things at the present time. I believe wid Hinry George that the condition of the laboring man will niver improve as long as the prevailing system of taxation remains in foorce. As long as the unearned increment is allowed to shwell the coffers of the rich, so long will the poor have to grovel in the dirt. Political parties may come an go. They may tinker wid the tariff from now till kingdom come, but there will be no change for the bether until the single tax is adopted. Phwhy should some human bein's be compelled to work in a place as hot as the hinges o' hell ivery day for 12 hours at a shtretch for a few dollars a week in order that other human bein's may roll in the lap o' luxury? I tell ye, fellows, ivery dhrop o' sweat that rolls from the bodies of the workmin in that refinery is helpin to form a flood of rivolution tha'll swept thim thrusts an things off the face o' the earth. Mark my words!"

The George theorist emptied his glass at this point, and so did the others. The beer seemed to have a quieting effect on them, for after a few grunts by the German and a few hems and haws by the other Irishmen and a severe wrinkling of the brow by the Swede, who was evidently trying to think of some argument that would knock out the disciple of Henry George, one of the men called to the bartender to fill the schooners and bring two packs of cards, and in a few minutes the whole crowd was absorbed in a game of penuchle.—New York Herald.

The Percentage of Wrongdoers.

I crossed on one of the big Atlantic liners lately with 500 other saloon passengers. They were naturally people of intelligence and presumably of easy circumstances. Yet at least half of these people were planning to rob our government of money by contriving plans to avoid paying duties truly owed. To do this all of them had to break our laws, and in most cases had in addition to lie deliberately.

Many of them were planning to accomplish this theft by the bribery of the custom house inspectors, thus not merely making themselves thieves, but bribing other men to do wrong. In this city I can show you blocks so densely inhabited that they are an election district themselves. Blocks in which 20 people live and sleep in a single room year after year, where the birth of a little life into the world means that all must eat less and be less warm. But I cannot find in the poorest and vilest parts of the city any block where the percentage of liars and thieves and bribe givers is as large as was that among the first class passengers of that floating palace. Each condition of society has its own misdoings, and I believe varies little in the percentage of wrongdoers to the whole.—From "The Honorable Peter Sterling," P. L. Ford.

The Modern Slavery.

I now invite attention to another form of slavery far safer, far better and more comprehensive for the masters, but less merciful to the slaves. It is bond slavery, or "bondage," and may be illustrated by actual facts now transpiring in many parts of the world. It is a refined system, popular with civilized nations, as much superior to chattel slavery in its financial results as the railroad is to the wheelbarrow in matters of transportation. It annually yields millions and billions to the masters, with the minimum of financial or personal risk, while it enslaves whole nations, reaping the profits as states and empires as fast as the crops can grow or the profits of labor can be molded into valuable form.—John Davis, M. C.

Gompers and Voorhees.

Samuel Gompers met Theodore Voorhees, vice president of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad, on the platform at Montclair, N. J., the other night, and the two told of strikes from different points of view. The meeting was under the auspices of the Montclair Outlook club.

HUNDRED KILLED

Seafaring Men Perish in a Gale.

MANY TOWNS BADLY DAMAGED BY FLOODS

In Many Parts of Holland and Germany.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—Reports received from various parts of Great Britain show that the gale is abating. The storm raged with the greatest fury all day Saturday. Telegraphic communication with Scotland is completely interrupted, while the wires to the midland counties and Ireland are more or less damaged.

There is hardly a town of any size but reports personal casualities and loss of property. Manufacturing towns in the north and west suffered badly. Roofs were torn off and chimney stacks collapsed, crashing through adjoining buildings and killing and injuring a number of working people. In many places the residents were afraid to venture in the streets during the prevalence of the storm.

A number of fishing boats are missing. Three boats were swamped off Stornoway, and their 23 occupants drowned.

Much damage was done to houses in Dublin and the suburbs of that city. People in the Donegal hills are reported to be suffering terribly, their cottages

Being Wrecked and Flooded.

The ships America and Tamare Marshall went ashore near Greenock. The Acklow, for Ship Island, was driven ashore in Scalpsie bay, Bute, and has nine feet of water in her hold. It is expected that she will be a total loss.

All around the coast vessels are reported to be stranded or in the greatest danger. The ship Kirkmichael was wrecked off Holyhead and five of her crew were drowned. The other six men aboard her were rescued with much difficulty.

The four-master County of Kintoss, for Hartlepool, was seen off that port lying on her beam ends and apparently sinking. Her crew were gathered in the stern with life belts on.

The exact number of deaths is unknown, but it is expected that the list will not be much less than 100.

The American ship Kennebec, from Port Blakeley, which had discharged her cargo at Belfast, broke adrift, and sunk a tug and damaged another vessel.

The Storm In Holland.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 24.—Heavy floods have been caused by the storm in Holland. The rivers Maas and Rotte rose 12 feet, inundating parts of Rotterdam. Boats were used in the streets and in the market places. In several places the water succeeded in breaking through dykes, and the country in the vicinity of the breaks was flooded. Nine houses collapsed. At Utrecht several persons were drowned by the capsizing of a boat. Telegraphs and telephone wires were everywhere broken. The bark Caroline went ashore near Egmond-Aan-Zee. Part of her crew were drowned.

Belgian Villages Flooded.

BRUSSELS, Dec. 24.—The storm has caused much damage throughout Belgium. Many of the Belgian fishing fleet are missing. The town of Dendermonde was inundated by the overflowing of the Dender river. The inhabitants were aroused by the freshet and escaped, but the property loss is great. The villages of Audgem, Denderville, Mespelaere, Appels and Buesrode were also inundated.

Hamburg's Flood.

HAMBURG, Dec. 24.—The river Elbe has overflowed its banks and inundated the lower portion of the town. The water is so deep in these sections of the city that tramcars are unable to run.

The Armenian Commission.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 24.—The porte has agreed to instruct the foreign delegates who will accompany the Armenian commission that they are empowered to personally examine witnesses. Abdullah Pasha has withdrawn from the presidency of the commission at the last moment, and has been replaced by two officials from the ministry of justice. Abdullah's recall is supposed to be due to representations that he is inferior in rank to Zedki Pasha, who, as responsible for the troops, it is alleged, that committed the atrocities, will have to be examined.

British Scheming.

ACAPULCO, Dec. 24.—The extended stay in this harbor of four British cruisers is a matter of much speculation as to the plans of England. The most generally accepted belief is that these cruisers have designs in connection with the present dispute over the boundary between Mexico and Guatemala. The attitude of the United States in the event of meddling on the part of England is also a matter being discussed.

Churchill Is Worse.

MARSEILLES, Dec. 24.—Lord Randolph Churchill has become worse since his arrival here. Symptoms of locomotor ataxy have appeared. Nevertheless, he was determined to proceed to London, and, accompanied by his wife and physicians, he started for Paris last night.

Czar's Envoy at Paris.

PARIS, Dec. 24.—General Tscherkoff, who was sent as special envoy to announce the accession of Czar Nicholas to Russia's throne, arrived here yesterday. He was received with military honors. Thirty thousand persons heartily cheered the general.

A Monarch's Clemency.

WARSAW, Dec. 24.—The czar has ordered the immediate release of the prisoners connected with the disturbances due to the populace opposing the closing of the church at Kroce, which led excesses on the part of the Cossacks.

The Dread Cholera.

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 24.—Several cases of cholera are reported in Rosario. Great precautions have been taked to prevent the spread of the disease.

Signs of Progress.

TOKIO, Dec. 24.—The Corean government has agreed to open to foreign trade two additional ports, Kokego in the province of Chollado and Chinnampo on the Tatung river.

Outlawry Rampant.

OAXACA, Mex., Dec. 24.—There is such a disturbed condition of affairs on the frontier that the farms and ranches are being abandoned and the people are seeking places of safety from the depredation and crimes that are being constantly committed by the bandits and outlaws who follow in the wake of the soldiers.

Burned Over Large Area.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Dec. 24.—Fire at the village of Watsontown destroyed the opera house, four dwellings, a large livery stable, a general store and many outbuildings. Loss, $50,000.

SISTER NURSING HIM.

Leader of the Notorious Cook Gang Dying From Bullet Wounds.

WICHITA, Kan., Dec. 24.—A special from Muskogee says that Bill Cook, the outlaw, is said to be lying at the point of death in the fastness of the Indian country, between this place and Fort Gibson. His sister Lou has reached there and is nursing him.

BILL COOK.

He is suffering from two wounds, and the deputy marshals have traced him by castaway bloody bandages. They are now within 24 miles of the dying bandit, and when they arrive trouble is expected, as Cook is in the midst of a strong force of his half-breed sympathizers.

Cherokee Bill was also wounded in the hip, and both were carried over 30 miles on litters by their friends.

Killed His Nephew.

WATERBURY, Conn., Dec. 24.—John P. Byrnes, aged 26 years, was fatally stabbed yesterday by his uncle, William T. Byrnes, aged 36 years. Byrnes at first denied having committed the murder, but afterward he confessed, saying that he acted in self-defense. John had charged William with owing him money, and struck him in the face. William pulled out a common clasp knife with two blades and struck John directly over the heart, the point of the knife piercing the apex of the heart. William is overcome with grief.

A Maine Camp Tragedy.

BANGOR, Me., Dec. 24.—Camella Nashua and Charles Langley were murdered in a camp in Millinocket yesterday. It is supposed that the murders were committed by Joseph and Newell Gabriel, Indians, who belong in Oldtown. The murdered men, it is understood, had been hunting, and the supposition is that the Indians, who were their guides, killed them for the purpose of robbery. The Indians were captured by the lumbering crew and are now held prisoners at the lumber camp.

Unfortunate Seamen.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Dec. 24.—The crew of the whaling ship Agate, who were shipped to New York Friday, to be taken charge of by the Spanish consul, were returned by him to New Bedford. As they entered the country under the American flag, they will be obliged to return under the same flag. They are now thrown upon the city, and it is believed they will finally be sent to the state almshouse. They are unable to go coasting, as they suffer intensely from the cold climate.

Bonacum's Triumph.

OMAHA, Dec. 24.—The priests of the Lincoln diocese, who have been fighting Bishop Bonacum for two years, have surrendered. They admit that the bishop has won, and if he has not been sustained at Rome by the diplomacy of Mgr. Satolli, he left them no chance but to seek employment elsewhere. Father English, the tenth priest to quit the Bonacum diocese, came to Omaha yesterday, and now has charge of a parish in the city.

Determined to Remain Out.

PROVIDENCE, Dec. 24.—A meeting of the operatives of the hosiery mill at Thornton was held last evening, and it was decided that there was no immediate prospect for an end of the lockout. The men remained firm in their refusal to return to work for less than the present schedule rate, and it was asserted that fully 20 would return to England rather than surrender.

All Died the Same Way.

DANVILLE, Ky., Dec. 24.—Micajah Rowsey, a desperado, was killed at Junction City by Town Marshal Ellis, whom he resisted. Rowsey was the last of a family of seven sons, all of whom died with their boots on.

Little Ones Perished.

TOLEDO, Dec. 24.—Charles Clarke and wife went out to do their Christmas shopping, leaving their two children, aged 4 and 6, in bed. A fire broke out, and the children were smothered to death by smoke.

Attributed to Incendiaries.

TONAWANDA, N. Y., Dec. 24.—Fire in the lumber yards of A. Weston & Son destroyed 8,000,000 feet of lumber valued at over $150,000. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin.

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SUN WEATHER BULLETIN.

ALMANAC FOR MONDAY, Dec. 24.

SUN RISES	7 22	MOON RISES	5 11 AM
SUN SETS	4 37	FULL SEA {	9 15 AM
LENGTH OF DAY	9 65	{	10 00 PM

For Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont: Fair; warmer; north winds, becoming south.

For Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut: Fair; northeast winds.

LOCAL NEWS.

Merry Christmas to every SUN reader.

Land in Pawtucketville has taken a boom.

As a general rule the stores will close tomorrow.

To-day is a fast day, being the vigil of the feast of Christmas.

Open all day tomorrow. The Golden Sheaf, 55 Middle street.

One Merrimack street store had a record for a day's sales of $7500, the past week.

Miss Mary Gertrude McKenzie will read at Newton Highlands at an entertainment tomorrow evening.

You can get some nice articles at J. J. Gaynor & Co's, 35 Prescott street, for Christmas presents.

John J. Hart of the L. A. A., has been chosen vice president of the Mass. Cricket association and J. H. Comber, a director.

There will be good skating for Christmas out on Tyng's pond. The river will hardly be safe enough except inshore or in protected places.

The Cunard company says that it has taken more steerage passengers out of this country than it has brought to these shores during the past year.

The Ambulance Corps and Cadets play at basket ball at the armory tonight.

The Mathew Temperance Institute will hold a smoke talk, January 8.

Wished all a Merry Christmas.

The Central Labor union did not meet yesterday as no quorum was present. Before leaving the hall, the secretary took the names of four delegates from Textile union No. 79.

Conducted Their First Masses.

Rev. Fr. Murphy who was ordained Friday, celebrated his first mass at 9 o'clock yesterday morning in the Immaculate Conception church. The church was crowded with friends of the young priest. Fr. Costello celebrated mass in the chapel of the hospital. Rev. Fr. Joyce, O. M. I., served at both masses.

Excelsior Lodge, K. of H.

The lodge has elected the following officers: Dictator, H. O. Ham; vice dictator, E. D. Robinson; assistant dictator, O. Robinson; reporter, Frank M. Merrill; financial reporter, Geo. W. Patten; treasurer, F. W. Cragin; guide, Geo. H. Tryder; guardian, F. U. Haskell; sentinel, Ashman Stoddard; trustees, C. P. Conant, E. H. Cook, G. H. Tryder; representative, G. W. Patten; alternate, Zachariah Shore.

Installation of Officers.

Merrimack Valley lodge, M. U. O. F. held a pleasant entertainment in Manchester Unity hall, Saturday evening. The program was as follows; Piano solo, F. Wilkinson; song, M. Gorman; reading, Miss K. Young; bells, Mr. Williams; song, F. Wilkinson; reading, Miss A. Young, song, S. Blackburn; feats of tumbling, Berard and Wilson; song, J. Harrison; recitation, F. J. Boyle; song, J. H. Mellen; autoharp solo, D. Firth; song, M. Gorman; concertina solo, Thomas Jeffreys; reading, L. Fradlix.

The final number was a laughable farce entitled "Irish Justice.

St. Michael's School Festival.

The Christmas entertainment at St. Michael's school took place Friday in the school hall, which was tastefully decorated with evergreens and holly. The children were very happy. Father O'Brien occupied the most prominent place on the stage. A visiting priest, Father Carroll, also was present:

Program.

Christmas Bells.....School
The Dollies Christmas.....Wee girls
Christmas Carol.....Lydia Wood
Little Froggies' Song.....Girls
Base Ball Enthusiast, Dialogue.
John Quinn, W. Frye, T. Slowey.
Bessie's Dream.....Concert Recitation
Sleigh ride, Song.....Boys
The Secret, Dialogue.
M. Leary, E. Thompson, A. McEvoy.
Choice of professions.....Wee Boys
Recitation.....A. Slowey
Santa Claus, Song.....Little Girls
Miles from Dublin, Recitation.....Anna Tarpey
Scene from World's Fair.....K. McDonough
Adeste Fideles.....School

At the conclusion of the entertainment Rev. Fr. O'Brien expressed himself well pleased and thanked the good sisters for their untiring labor in the school. The children were then regaled with a treat of candy and other good things that belong to Christmas time.

POLICE NOTES.

As a lady was passing Maiden lane on Merrimack street, Saturday, her pocketbook was snatched by a nimble young thief who escaped through Market street. The case was reported to the police and Edward F. Maguire, 15 years of age, residing with his mother on Lewis street was suspected. He was arrested by Sergt. Kew and Officer Maguire, and when locked up confessed the theft. Capt. Moffatt and Sergt. Kew went to the house and found the pocketbook in the stove and the money under the tick. It is thought Maguire stole pocketbooks on Bridge street.

William Dunn was arrested Saturday night while in the act of stealing two herrings from Bloxom's fish market. He is charged with stealing two dead herrings valued at one cent, but is held upon the presumption that he is guilty of previous thefts.

Eugene Carty of Dunstable and Clifton Dawes of Tyngsboro, drove to the city, Saturday to see the sights. Both obtained jags and they drove up against an electric car on Central street near Middle street. The collision separated the horse from the wagon but the animal being sober didn't run away. Both men were arrested. Carter couldn't walk but Dawes was sober enough to haul the wagon to the police station where he was locked up.

Little Ones Burned.

BROOKLYN, Dec. 24.—A fire occurred last night in the flat at 209 South street, occupied by Charles Cornwall. Both Mr. Cornwall and his wife were away from home at the time, three children being left behind. In some unaccountable way the fire started, and two of the children were quite badly burned before being rescued. No one knew that another child was missing, but after the fire was extinguished the charred remains were found.

Judge Found Probable Cause.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 24.—The preliminary hearing in the Gorham murder case concluded in the finding of "probable cause" against James Lewis, alias James Lewis Welch. Lewis was committed without bail to await the action of the grand jury. J. A. Coleman was put under $2000 sureties and Edward Graffam under $2000 to appear as witnesses before the grand jury. They were unable to get bail.

Dr. Coburn DENTIST 81 MERK ST.

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Wall paper at 18 Church street.

The mills will shut down tomorrow.

T. C. Lee, Fire Insurance, Donovan Bl'dg.

Mr. James Abbott is at home from Harvard.

C. J. Cheney, Jr., will be a candidate for superintendent of streets.

Will N. Shaw and T. B. Hustwick are at home from New York for the holiday.

The streets were never more crowded than on Saturday afternoon and evening.

Mayor-elect Courtney has been honored by having an original poem dedicated to him.

E. A. Wilson, coal dealer, is selling coal at lowest cash prices; call at 51 Merrimack street.

Patten & Co. have the finest potted and cut flowers in the city, Shedd's block, Central street.

Orders by mail for tuning and repairing promptly attended to at Downing's music store, 182 Merrimack street.

O'Donnell & Gilbride announce a reduction of prices in their Christmas stock in order to clean up everything today.

Ten per cent. discount on all parlor stoves bought this week for cash or instalments at A. E. O'Heir & Co., 16 Merrimack street.

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Catholic Prayer Books.

A large assortment of the latest and finest bindings, pearl rosaries, pearl cases and statuary, appropriate for presents to lady or gentleman, at Murphy's, 18 Appleton street.

To Redistrict the City.

A republican councilman-elect has in preparation a resolution which he proposes to introduce early in the year, when the council is organized, calling for the redistricting of the city into nine wards, and the election of three councilmen from each ward and nine ward aldermen.

The City's Health Last Week.

The weekly report of the board of health shows 38 deaths out of a population rated at 90,613. Typhoid fever was the cause of one death, scarlet fever 2, and acute lung disease 1. Thirteen deaths were of children under five years of age.

During the week there were reported 7 cases of scarlet fever, 4 of typhoid, 2 of diphtheria and 1 of measles.

Elections in the Mathews.

The semi-annual election of officers of the Mathew Temperance Institute was held yesterday morning. Many members were present, and there was considerable enthusiasm manifested over the result of the contests. The officers chosen are: President, Walter V. Hickey; vice president, James T. Dunfey; recording secretary, Cornelius Hickey; financial secretary, Patrick S. Kane; treasurer, James J. Conlan; spiritual director, Rev. Thomas F. McManus; board of trustees, William Boyle, John J. Cody and Frank McLaughlin; board of examiners, Patrick O'Neil, Frank Riley and George Doran; literary committee, John Lonergan, William McAloon and Peter Brady.

Four propositions for membership were received.

CHRISTMAS THEATRICALS.

At the Opera house Annie Ward Tiffany the favorite actress in the role of Lady Blarney will be seen afternoon and evening and we can truly say, judging from her fine performances in the past that a better holiday attraction will be hard to find. Those who have seen her Peggy Logan, will see even a more unique character as Lady Blarney.

Miss Marie Burroughs.

You should not delay in getting seats for Wednesday night, with Marie Burroughs in The Profligate the season's success. The entire company comes here from the Boston engagement.

Stoddard on Norway.

Thursday evening, Mr. Stoddard will present Norway and the land of the Midnight Sun in his course.

OVER THE VETO.

Passed the Moody Street Bridge Resolution on the Part of the Council.

The common council following the example of the board of aldermen passed the Moody street bridge resolution over the mayor's veto and did it in quick order that gave a fine finish to the business.

Twenty three members were present at Saturday evening's special meeting, Councilman Mansfield being the absentee.

It took President Sparks some time to read the resolution and the veto and when he concluded he called for a vote on the passage of the resolution notwithstanding the veto and he got the vote. Twenty-one members voted in favor of its passage and Councilman O'Connor and Tryder alone voted in the negative.

The council then adjourned.

GEORGE W. McALOON DEAD.

Injuries Received in a Runaway Accident Proved Fatal.

George W. McAloon, who was thrown from a carriage in a runaway accident on Coburn street, Monday evening, Dec. 10, died at St. John's hospital, at 10.45, Saturday night, as the result of the injuries received at the time of the accident.

He was unconscious for several days previous to his death and early in the week the attending physicians expressed an opinion that he could not recover. Saturday noon the physicians said he could not live through the day and that night his brothers and sister were notified that his death was expected at any moment. He lingered along, however, till 10.45 and then passed away, only a few friends and his brothers being present at his bedside.

Mr. McAloon was 20 years of age, and was employed as a Brussels weaver by the Lowell Manufacturing company. For many years he was a prominent member of Court Merrimack, A. O. F. of A., and also the Brussels Weavers' union. He had many friends who will be grieved to learn of his death.

He leaves four brothers, Charles H., John B., William F., and Fred, the last three employes of the Carpet company and members of the Mathew Temperance Institute and one sister. Funeral at 2.30 Tuesday afternoon from the residence on Jewett street.

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CHINESE ROUTED

Ten Thousand Chinese Flee Before Japs.

NEWSPAPER ADVICES FROM JAPAN GIVE DETAILS.

It Was a Chinese Hand to Hand Fight.

YOKOHAMA, Dec. 24.—General Kasum on Dec. 19 attacked General Lung's position seven miles west of Haiti-Cheng. The position was defended by 10,000 Chinese, who were routed after four assaults.

A dispatch from Antonhg says that the Japanese force consisted of four regiments of infantry and five batteries of artillery. The latter bombarded the Chinese, who had established themselves in the village of Kung-Wasal. The infantry then thrice charged the Chinese lines. The fighting was stubborn, the combatants meeting hand-to-hand. The fight was the fiercest that has yet taken place. The Chinese loss is estimated at 500 killed or wounded. The Japanese also suffered severely.

A dispatch from Kobe says that thousands of Tonghaks defeated the Corean garrison of 300 soldiers at Chailado, and then burned the houses. The inhabitants of the town fled. It is reported that a number of Chinese were among the Tonghaks.

Japanese Press Discussing Terms of Peace.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Recent newspaper advices received here from Japan show that the question of the terms of peace that Japan will demand from China is a fruitful subject of discussion by the native press. Opinions, however, differ regarding these terms, and while some journals content themselves with speaking generally on the subject, others are more specific in their demands.

One paper asserts that Formosa, important from a commercial and military point of view, must at all events be taken. After detailing what an immense expenditure must be incurred by Japan in supporting Corea and protecting Japanese interests in the north of China following the war, the paper declares that Formosa will have to be annexed as a resource from which to draw receipts at least equal to these prospective expenditures.

Another paper enters a strong protest against the claims advanced that China must surrender territory entirely out of proportion to the objects for which the war was undertaken.

Assuming that the war is practically over, the Japanese are already discussing the matter of Japan's prospects thereafter. Mr. Kaneko, the vice minister of state for agriculture and commerce, has been looking into the history of the United States after the great civil war and to that of Germany after the Franco-Prussian war for light on the subject, and the Noshomusho has been holding consultations about the matter for some time, but the investigations are far from concluded. The vice minister is personally of the opinion that the extension of facilities for direct exportation is of the greatest importance.

Complications In Corea.

According to a Seoul correspondent, affairs are again becoming serious in Corea, where there is trouble, in which Tai Won Kun, who is understood here to be practically prime minister, is involved. It had its origin in the surrender of Li Heikl, a favorite of Tai Won Kun, to the Corean police, in whose custody he is now held.

Li Heikl, it appears, took part in all the deliberations of the faction headed by the aged statesman, and is therefore acquainted with its secrets. Shortly afterwards he was made a police official, and had frequent occasions to meet members of the Japanese police now in the capitol. Intercourse with the latter gave him an insight into the real intentions entertained toward Corea by Japan.

Thus newly enlightened, says the correspondent, his hatred of the crooked artifices and ignorant devices of the faction with which he had been connected grew intense, and conscience finally drove him drove him to confess to the police officials what he knew of the faction's doings. He was placed in confinement and, although implored by several of the parties against whom he had informed not to confess, he made a clean breast of all he knew and had done.

Some objections were made by the Corean government to the demands of the Japanese minister, Count Inouye, for the examination of witnesses implicated in the affair, the Coreans asserting that such proceedings would be contrary to the time-honored usage of the country. The result of this collision between Count Inouye and the Corean government was not clearly known at the time the correspondent wrote.

Important Chinese Dispatches Captured.

Letters, by means of which the faction instigated the Tonghak insurgents, together with other documents bearing on the same point, and secret dispatches sent by Tai Won Kun to the Chinese generals in the Phyong-Yang, have all fallen into the hands of the Japanese authorities, and the sinister project of the old gentleman and his followers against Japan, the correspondent adds, is now an open secret.

Since these events transpired, news has come to the United States by telegraph to the effect that the Japanese government has "dispensed with the services of Tai Won Kun," and the natural presumption is that this action was the result of the occurrences referred to.

Factional strife in the Corean court is said by another paper to be the prime cause of all the evils now hampering the country's progress along the path of reform. Lately, another bone of contention has been superadded to accentuate the political confusion already existing in the field of politics. It is a question relating to the parentage of prominent members of the government, and the present trouble had its origin in the old-time Corean system of concubinage.

The Price of War.

A Japanese paper gives a summary of the losses of the Japanese and Chinese armies up to Nov. 28, exclusive of the battles at Fung-Wang-Chang, Kinchan, Tallen-Wan and at Port Arthur. It shows that the Japanese lost about 330 killed and 835 wounded, while the Chinese lost 4800 killed and 4300 wounded, and 1018 of them were made captives, making a total of 10,318.

The Chinese have also had 211 cannon taken away from them, 4895 rifles, 36,884 cannon shot, 43,000,660 cartridges, beside enough ammunition to last a month, firing with 30,000 rifles; 338 banners have been taken, 8400 tents, 1000 horses, 8,000,000 taels' worth of gold and silver, 111,090 mace coins, 2413 koku of rice, 5755 koku of unhulled rice, and in addition sufficient food to last an army of 20,000 men three days.

The Chinese have lost 13 vessels, a torpedo boat, five men-of-war sunk, and one of their war vessels captured, which makes a total tonnage of 9850 tons. The number of killed and wounded on the Japanese side is estimated at over 400, while those of the enemy is estimated at nine times that number.

WIND STARTED CAR.

Express Train Dashed Into It and Thirteen Lives Were Lost.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The Manchester express, on the London and Northwestern railway, which was wrecked at Chelford Saturday night, consisted of two engines and 16 cars. A number of freight cars were being shunted near Chelford, when the wind started one of them back on the rails. A runaway car was driven slantwise across the main line just as the express approached.

The brakes of the express were applied and the engines reversed, but the momentum of the heavy train was so great that its speed was not quickly checked. The engines and three cars got clear before the freight struck the express. The cars which were hit by the freight were completely smashed, while those following were derailed and partially shattered.

The scene was a horrible one, the uninjured passengers screaming, the wounded groaning and the guards and porters shouting for assistance. Those passengers who had not been hurt formed a relief party. Thirteen bodies were taken out of the wreck, some of them badly mutilated. The injured numbered over 60.

Result of a Drunken Quarrel.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 24.—George Rusby, 60 years old, is locked up, charged with murdering his wife, Amelia, aged 43. The affair occurred on Tenth street, and was the result of a drunken quarrel, in which Rusby threw a lighted lamp at the woman. The lamp broke, and the oil and flames enwrapped her instantly. Mrs. Rusby received injuries from which she died. Rusby says she tipped the lamp over, but the woman in her dying statement to the police said he threw the lamp at her.

Louisiana Justice.

NEW ORLEANS, Dec. 24.—George King, a desperate negro, was lynched at a slaughter house last evening. He had a difficulty with some butchers, and went off and got a shotgun. Constable Guerre tried to arrest him, and the negro escaped to a barn from which he fired into the crowd, wounding half a dozen persons. The barn was burned down and the negro forced into the open, where he was shot and then dragged to a tree and hanged.

Bad Gang Captured.

ERIE, Pa., Dec. 24.—The ringleaders in the gang of masked burglars, who a week ago beat and bound and at the point of torture secured the $10,000 which David and Sarah Slocum had laid up for a rainy day, have been captured. They are Frank Anderson, Ralph Van Assler and Jeremiah Casey. Casey's fondness for his cups loosened his tongue and gave the scent which resulted in the capture of the gang.

Holiday Till Jan. 3.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Congress adjourned Saturday until Jan. 3 without having accomplished anything. A feeble protest was made by Senator George of taking a recess, when there was so much that ought to be done, but, realizing that there was no intention on the part of the managers of the senate to let any of this work be done, he withdrew even this remonstrance.

Eastern Capital In the Northwest.

CHEYENNE, Wy., Dec. 24.—A syndicate of eastern capitalists have organized two large companies with a capital of $500,000. The Aladdin Coal company will develop coal properties in this state and the Southeastern Coal company is to construct and operate a railroad from the coal fields through South Dakota to a point on the Missouri river.

Killed In Own Home.

CAMDEN, N. J., Dec. 24.—George Whittington, colored, was found dead yesterday at his hut near Collingswood. There is a bullet wound in his groin and he had bled to death. Three men and two women, who were also occupants of the house, have been arrested on suspicion of having murdered Whittington.

The President's Return.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—President Cleveland and his party of duck hunters returned to the city yesterday. The president looks well, his rheumatism having been much benefited by the trip. Altogether the party killed about 300 ducks, the president being responsible for more than half of them.

Couldn't Crack the Safe.

CONTOOCOOK, N. H., Dec. 24.—Burglars entered the store of William E. Mudgett and stole a large quantity of goods. The safe was badly hammered, but the thieves failed to get it open. A horse and wagon were stolen from Nahum Whittier, six miles from here.

Case Dismissed.

ALBANY, Dec. 24.—A supervisor made the charges that District Attorney Kelly had neglected his duty. The governor appointed W. H. Henderson to take the evidence, and as referee he finds that the charges were unfounded. Governor Flower therefore dismisses the case.

Probably a Murder.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 24.—The body of Matthew Fulton, a lineman, was found yesterday beside railroad tracks in the Sand Hill district. A large gash was in Fulton's head and his pockets were empty. It is thought that Fulton was murdered.

Prominent Salemite Dead.

SALEM, Mass., Dec. 24.—Charles Tappan, a prominent chemist, died here yesterday at the age of 71 years. He was the inventor of a process for bleaching new flax so the fiber could be worked direct, and also an electrician of considerable note.

Must Toe the Mark.

TRENTON, Dec. 24.—The big western oleomargarine dealers have made this state their chief distribution center. They are not complying with the state laws, and a large number of firms are to be prosecuted for evasion.

Work Is Dull.

CHEYENNE, Wy., Dec. 24.—An order has been received to close the Union Pacific shops in this city indefinitely at the end of this month. Only about 80 men will be employed here.

Took Suits Them.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—The Armenians throughout the state are very much pleased with the proposal that the Duke of Teck be appointed protector of Armenia. The United Friends of Armenia have received letters from Lynn, Lawrence and Worcester endorsing the proposal.

Another Cashier Gone Wrong.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Harold G. Butt, cashier of Hammerslough Bros., clothiers, is charged with embezzling $10,000 of that firm's money. Butt, it is said, systematically altered the books. He pleaded not guilty, and was held in default of $5000 bail for examination.

He Was Discouraged.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Despondency, caused by approaching blindness, caused Jacob F. D. Solis, a lawyer, to commit suicide by shooting. He was 41 years old.

THE WELCOME GUEST.

RACE WAR FEARS

Seven Negroes Killed to Avenge Georgia Farmer.

MOBS ARMED TO THE TEETH FOR VENGEANCE.

The Blacks Have Planned Wholesale Murder.

QUITMAN, Ga., Dec. 24.—With seven negroes dead and armed mobs of whites and blacks in near proximity to each other, the outlook for a race war in this county is startling in its certainty. The excitement is the result of the murder of Mr. Joseph Isom, a farmer. Seven negro lives were taken Saturday and Saturday night to pay the penalty, and this seems to be only the beginning of the end.

It had been discovered that a number of negroes had conspired to kill every man in the posse that arrested Jerry Jeffreth, for the killing of T. Moulden, a few weeks ago, and that the killing of Isom was the commencement to carry out this awful conspiracy. What the outcome of this will be in the next 24 hours cannot be foretold. No action has been taken to stop the action of the mob so far.

The names of the killed are: Sam Taylor, Eli Frazier, Sam Pike, Harry Sherad and three whose names could not be learned. No white men have been killed so far.

A Reign of Terror.

A reporter visited the scene last evening. Every crossroad was picketed with sentinels and every man in the county is armed to the teeth. When one of these excitements occur, King Terror rules in the homes of whites as well as blacks, and this is such a case. There were probably 500 men under arms, covering an area of about five square miles.

About a mile from the home of Isom were about 300 whites, all well armed and breathing all kinds of vengeance. A mile farther was a crowd of negroes of about the same size, armed with Winchester rifles, pistols, axes, clubs and every available weapon, waiting for the whites to attack them. They intrenched in and around a lot of negro cabins in the midst of a thin grove, and the last information is that the whites are advancing on many sides.

It is understood that the Waverleys, Pike, Jim McLelland and a negro named Herring were the others of the seven lynched. The county is comparatively sparsely settled, and the facilities for securing information are very meager. Pike is the negro who killed Isom. He has been in hiding near where the trouble has occurred, and the authorities do not consider it probable that he has been caught.

Captain Tillman, father-in-law of Isom, was doing everything in his power to restrain the whites. He had sent hurried messengers all over the country, summoning to his aid conservative men, in the hops that he could prevent further bloodshed. It will be impossible to know how well he succeeded.

Whites Won't Talk of Peace.

Details of the killing are meager. Taylor, Frazier, Pike and Sheard were together about sunset Saturday night. They were regarded as four of the ringleaders of the conspiracy to kill and burn, and were especially sought for. A half dozen whites, one of whom is said to have been Isom's brother-in-law, came upon them suddenly and ordered them to submit to arrest.

One of the negroes answered with a shot that struck one of the whites, and four blacks were shot down in their tracks. The other three were caught, one at a time.

Many of Isom's neighbors, who were interviewed, will not listen to any peaceful talk. They declare they must stamp out the gang that had sworn to murder, and that spirit seems to predominate.

Sentence None Too Light.

HELENA, Mon., Dec. 24.—Charles J. Jones, a train robber, has been sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment. Jones and three other men held up a Northern Pacific train.

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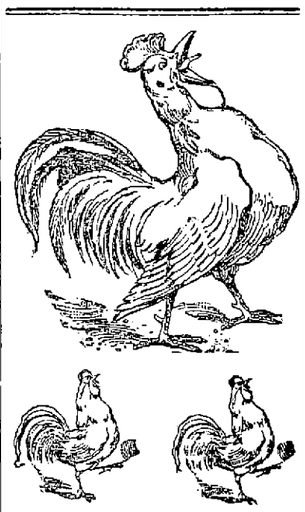

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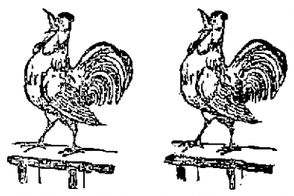

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A Drunkard's Deed.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 24.—George F. Ashford, a laborer, lived with his wife and five children in the east end of the city. For some time past he has been drinking heavily. He returned home late Saturday night and told his wife that her end had come. He then shot her in the head, killing her. Violet, aged 8, was next killed in a similar manner. Nine-year-old Mildred was also shot. The two boys escaped. The fiend fled, but seeing a car approaching, he threw himself in front of it, but the motorman pulled up in time to rescue him, handing him over to the police. Mildred will probably die.

Again In Good Standing.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Dr. Edward McGlynn was appointed on Saturday by Archbishop Corrigan to the rectorship of St. Mary's church at Newburg. There are about 3000 parishioners, and the church is in a sound financial condition. Dr. McGlynn will say mass at the church of the Holy Cross tomorrow.

Lifeboat Swamped.

NEWPORT, R. I., Dec. 24.—Steamer City of Haverhill, from Boston to New York, in tow of the tug Ice King, nearly foundered off this port. The crew lost all their effects, having them in the lifeboat, which swamped.

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